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1. General Remarks:

Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (Silica-P flash silica gel from Silicycle, size 40-63 μm). TLC was performed on silica gel 60/Kieselguhr F254. Components were visualized by UV and staining with a solution of a mixture of KMnO_4 (10 g) and K_2CO_3 (10 g) in H_2O (500 mL). Mass spectra were recorded on a LTQ Orbitrap XL mass spectrometer (ESI+/APCI+/APPI+) or a Xevo[®] G2 QToF mass spectrometer with DART ionization. NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian AMX400 (400 and 100.59 MHz, respectively) or a Varian Unity Plus Varian-500 (500 and 125 MHz, respectively) using CDCl_3 as solvent. Chemical shift values are reported in ppm with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CHCl_3 : δ 7.26 for ^1H , δ 77.0 for ^{13}C). Data are reported as follows: chemical shifts, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, br = broad, m = multiplet), coupling constants (Hz), and integration. Optical rotations were measured in CHCl_3 on a *Schmidt + Haensch* polarimeter (Polartronic MH8) with a 10 cm cell (*c* given in g/100 mL). Conversion of the reaction were determined by GC (GC, HP6890: MS HP5973) with an HP5 column (Agilent Technologies, Palo Alto, CA). The regioselectivity of the reaction was determined by ^1H NMR spectroscopy of the crude mixture. Enantioselectivities were determined by HPLC analysis using a Shimadzu LC-10ADVP HPLC equipped with a Shimadzu SPD-M10AVP diode array detector.

All reactions were carried out under a nitrogen atmosphere using oven dried glassware and using standard Schlenk techniques. All solvents were reagent grade and were dried and distilled prior to use, if necessary. Tetrahydrofuran and diethylether were distilled over Na/benzophenone. Toluene and dichloromethane were distilled over calcium hydride. All the ligands and $\text{CuBr}\cdot\text{SMe}_2$ were purchased from Aldrich and used without further purification. Alkyl bromides except 4-bromo-1-trimethylsilyl-1-butyne¹ and 5-bromo-1-trimethylsilyl-1-pentyne¹ were purchased from Aldrich. All other commercially available reagents were used as received. Starting material **1a**, **1b** and **1c** was synthesized according to the procedure of Trombini and Lombardo et al.² Grignard reagents were prepared from the corresponding alkyl bromides and magnesium turnings in Et_2O following standard procedures. Grignard reagents were titrated using *sec*-BuOH and catalytic amounts of 1,10-phenanthroline. Products **3a** and **4a** have been reported in our previous paper.³

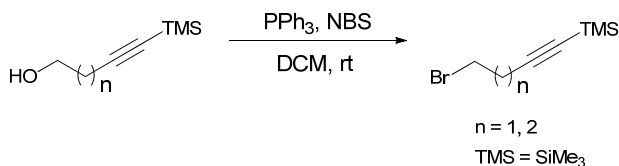
¹ Y. Nishimoto, M. Kajioka, T. Saito, M. Yasuda, A. Baba, *Chem. Commun.* **2008**, 6396-6398.

² (a) M. Lombardo, S. Morganti, C. Trombini, *J. Org. Chem.* **2003**, 68, 997-1006; (b) M. Lombardo, R. Girotti, S. Morganti and C. Trombini, *Chem. Commun.* **2001**, 2310-2311.

³ K. Geurts, S. P. Fletcher, B. L. Feringa, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2006**, 128, 15572-15573.

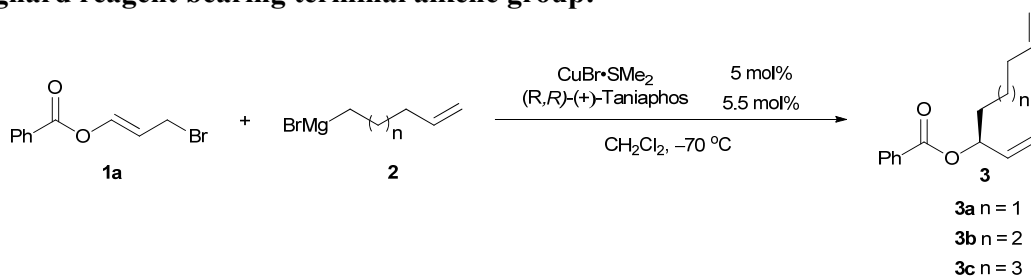
2. Experimental Section

2.1 General preparation of alkyl bromide containing alkyne functional group¹



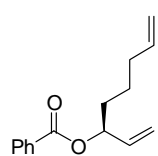
To a solution of PPh_3 (33 mmol, 1.1 equiv) and the particular alcohol (30 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (30 mL) at room temperature was added N-bromosuccinimide (32 mmol, 1.07 equiv) and the stirring was continued at room temperature for 5 h. The resulting phosphine oxides were precipitated by washing with the mixture of Pentane/Ether (1:1) and then filtered. The combined solvent was dried over MgSO_4 and removed under *vacuo*. The residue was purified by distillation to yield the corresponding alkyl bromide. The physical data were identical in all respects to those previously reported.¹

2.2 General procedure for copper catalyzed *hetero*-allylic asymmetric alkylation³ with Grignard reagent bearing terminal alkene group:

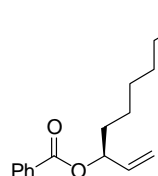


Grignard reagent **2** (0.64 mmol, 2 equiv) in Et_2O was added dropwise over 5 minutes to a homogeneous, stirred and cooled (-70°C) solution of the allylic bromide (0.32 mmol), $\text{CuBr}\cdot\text{SMe}_2$ (5.0 mol%) and $(R,R)\text{-(+)-Taniaphos}$ (5.5 mol%) in CH_2Cl_2 (3.5 mL) under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction mixture was stirred at the indicated temperature (typically overnight) until completion and then quenched with MeOH (5 mL). The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and sat. aq. NH_4Cl (5 mL) was added. The mixture was partitioned between CH_2Cl_2 (5 mL) and water. The organic layer was dried (MgSO_4), filtered and the solvent evaporated under *vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography over silica gel, using $\text{Et}_2\text{O}/n\text{-Pentane}$ (1% to 2%) afforded pure product **3** as colorless oils.

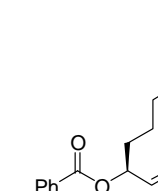
(+)-(S)-Octa-1,7-dien-3-yl benzoate (3b)

 Colorless oil. Yield: 95%. ee: 97%. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +33.2$ (*c* 3.6 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.07 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.99 – 5.68 (m, 2H), 5.62 – 5.44 (m, 1H), 5.33 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (s, 1H), 5.00 – 4.88 (m, 1H), 2.11 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.90 – 1.67 (m, 2H), 1.52 (dd, *J* = 15.2, 7.6 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.1, 138.5, 136.7, 133.1, 130.0, 129.8 (2×*C*), 128.6 (2×*C*), 116.9, 115.1, 75.4, 34.0, 33.7, 24.6. HRMS (ESI+, *m/z*): calcd for C₁₅H₁₈O₂Na [M+Na]⁺: 253.11990, found 253.12015. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak OB-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 99/1, 0.5 mL/min, 224 nm, column temperature 40 °C), retention times: *t*_R (major) 9.94 min, *t*_R (minor) 11.54 min.

(+)-(S)-Nona-1,8-dien-3-yl benzoate (3c)

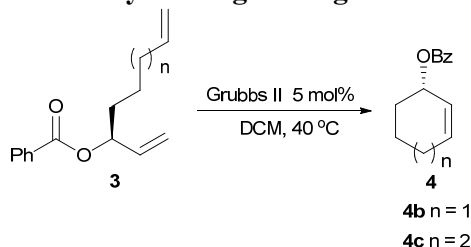
 Colorless oil. Yield: 83%. ee: 96%. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +21.4$ (*c* 3.4 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 – 8.00 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.51 (m, 1H), 7.45 (m, 2H), 5.89 (ddd, *J* = 14.4, 10.3, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 5.84 – 5.69 (m, 1H), 5.49 (ddd, *J* = 12.2, 6.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 5.38 – 5.28 (m, 1H), 5.20 (dt, *J* = 10.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.07 – 4.87 (m, 2H), 2.10 – 2.03 (m, 2H), 1.88 – 1.66 (m, 2H), 1.52 – 1.34 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.1, 138.9, 136.8, 133.1, 130.8, 129.8, 128.6, 116.9, 114.7, 75.5, 34.4, 33.8, 28.9, 24.8. HRMS (ESI+, *m/z*): calcd for C₁₆H₂₀O₂Na [M+Na]⁺: 267.13555, found 267.13507. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak OB-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 98/2, 0.5 mL/min, 226 nm, column temperature 40°C), retention times: *t*_R (major) 8.68 min, *t*_R (minor) 10.00 min.

(+)-(S)-Deca-1,9-dien-3-yl benzoate (3d)

 Colorless oil. Yield: 85%. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +26$ (*c* 0.6 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.14 – 8.00 (m, 2H), 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.89 (ddd, *J* = 14.1, 10.2, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 5.84 – 5.73 (m, 1H), 5.50 (dd, *J* = 13.1, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 5.32 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 5.05 – 4.89 (m, 2H), 2.04 (dd, *J* = 13.2, 6.4 Hz, 2H), 1.92 – 1.64 (m, 2H), 1.51 – 1.32 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.8, 138.9, 136.6, 132.8, 130.6, 129.6, 128.3, 116.6, 114.3, 75.3, 34.3, 33.6, 28.9, 28.7, 24.9. HRMS (ESI+, *m/z*): calcd for C₁₇H₂₂O₂Na

$[M+Na]^+$: 281.15120, found 281.15155. The enantiomeric excess of product could not be determined by chiral GC or HPLC.

2.3 General procedure for Ru-catalyzed ring-closing metathesis (RCM):



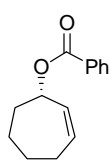
Allylic ester **3** (0.6 mmol) was dissolved in degassed CH_2Cl_2 (12 mL) under a N_2 atmosphere. Grubbs 2nd generation catalyst (0.03 mmol) was tipped into the solution and then the mixture was heated under reflux for 18 h (40 °C). The mixture was cooled down to room temperature and the solvents were removed under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (Ether/*n*-Pentane 1% to 2%) afforded the desired product **4**.

(-)-(S)-Cyclohex-2-en-1-yl benzoate (**4b**)

Colorless oil. Yield: 89%. ee: 95%. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20}$ -187.3 (*c* 3.7 in CHCl_3). [lit.,⁴ (*S* isomer, 90% ee): $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20}$ -164 (*c* 0.96 in CHCl_3)]. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.31 – 7.83 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.50 (m, 1H), 7.48 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 6.11 – 5.94 (m, 1H), 5.90 – 5.80 (m, 1H), 5.51 (dd, *J* = 3.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.15 – 2.04 (m, 2H), 2.03 – 1.94 (m, 1H), 1.93 – 1.77 (m, 2H), 1.77 – 1.65 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.4, 133.1, 133.0, 131.0, 129.8, 128.5, 125.9, 68.8, 28.6, 25.2, 19.2. HRMS (ESI+, *m/z*): calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ $[M+Na]^+$: 225.08860, found 225.04333. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak AD-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 99.9/0.1, 0.5 mL/min, 226 nm, column temperature 40°C), retention times: t_{R} (major) 19.55 min, t_{R} (minor) 18.66 min.

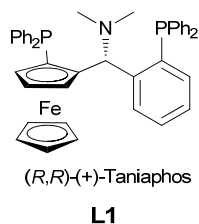
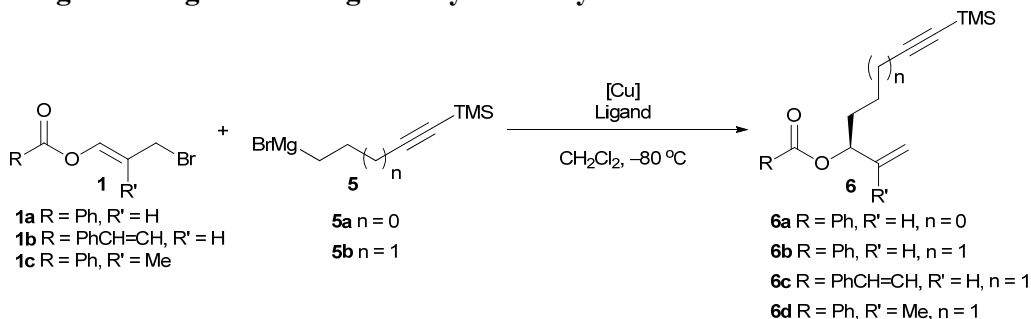
⁴ D. R. Boyd, N. D. Sharma, L. Sbircea, D. Murphy, T. Belhocine, J. F. Malone, S. L. James, C. C. R. Allen, J. T. G. Hamilton, *Chem. Comm.* **2008**, 5535-5537.

(-)-(S)-Cyclohept-2-en-1-yl benzoate (**4c**)

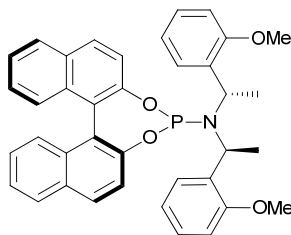


Colorless oil. Yield: 85%. ee: 95%. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20}$ -37.4 (*c* 2.3 in CHCl_3). [lit.,⁴ (*S* isomer, 97% ee): $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20}$ -52 (*c* 0.85 in CHCl_3)]. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.15 – 8.00 (m, 2H), 7.64 – 7.51 (m, 1H), 7.49 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 5.95 – 5.85 (m, 1H), 5.83 – 5.76 (m, 1H), 5.71 – 5.63 (m, 1H), 2.33 – 2.21 (m, 1H), 2.20 – 2.09 (m, 1H), 2.07 – 1.93 (m, 2H), 1.90 – 1.66 (m, 3H), 1.53 – 1.45 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.1, 133.7, 133.0, 132.2, 130.9, 129.8, 128.5, 74.9, 33.1, 28.8, 26.9, 26.8. HRMS (ESI+, *m/z*): calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 337.12304, found 337.12205. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak AS-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 99.9/0.1, 0.5 mL/min, 226 nm, column temperature 40°C), retention times: t_{R} (major) 11.60 min, t_{R} (minor) 10.50 min.

2.4 General procedure for the copper catalyzed *hetero*-allylic asymmetric alkylation with Grignard reagents bearing an alkyne moiety:³



L1



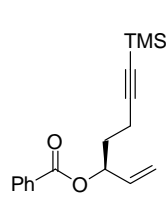
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Method A: A solution of the appropriate Grignard reagent **5** (0.48 mmol, 1.5 equiv) in Et_2O (1.5 M and 1.6 M, respectively) was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (combined volume of 1 mL) and added dropwise for 4h to a homogeneous, stirred and cooled (-80°C) solution of the allylic bromide (0.32 mmol), $\text{CuBr}\cdot\text{SMe}_2$ (5.0 mol%) and **L1** (5.5 mol%) in CH_2Cl_2 (3.2 mL) under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction mixture was stirred at that temperature (typically overnight) until completion and quenched with MeOH (5 mL). The mixture was removed from the cooling bath and sat. aq. NH_4Cl (5 mL) was added. The mixture was partitioned

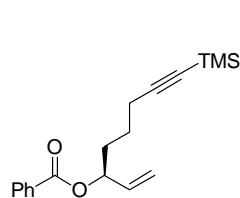
between CH₂Cl₂ and water. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, filtered and the solvent was evaporated *in vacuo*. Purification by flash chromatography over silica gel, using Et₂O/*n*-Pentane 1% to 2% to afford the products **6a-c** as colorless oils

Method B: A solution of the appropriate Grignard reagent **5b** (0.38 mmol, 1.2 equiv) in Et₂O (1.6 M) was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (combined volume of 1 mL) and added dropwise for 4h to a homogeneous, stirred and cooled (−80 °C) solution of the allylic bromide (0.32 mmol), CuTC (3.0 mol%) and **L3** (3.3 mol%) in CH₂Cl₂ (3.2 mL) under a nitrogen atmosphere. The following steps are the same as described by method A.

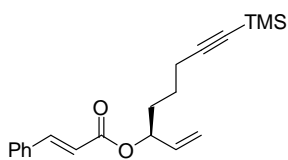
(+)-(S)-7-(Trimethylsilyl)hept-1-en-6-yn-3-yl benzoate (6a)

 Colorless oil. Yield: 74%. ee: 98%. [α]_D²⁰ +14.2 (*c* 1.3 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 (dd, *J* = 9.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.51 (m, 1H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 5.98 – 5.79 (m, 1H), 5.57 (dd, *J* = 12.4, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.35 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 5.24 (d, *J* = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.14 – 1.87 (m, 1H), 0.13 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.6, 135.7, 132.9, 130.3, 129.6, 129.6, 128.3, 117.2, 105.9, 85.3, 74.1, 33.3, 16.0, 0.0. HRMS (ESI+, *m/z*): calcd for C₁₇H₂₂O₂SiNa [M+Na]⁺: 309.12813, found 309.12846. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak AS-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 99.9/0.1, 0.5 mL/min, 226 nm, column temperature 40°C), retention times: *t*_R (major) 11.60 min, *t*_R (minor) 10.50 min.

(+)-(S)-8-(Trimethylsilyl)oct-1-en-7-yn-3-yl benzoate (6b)

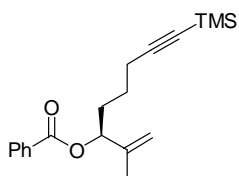
 Colorless oil. Yield: 84%. ee: 97%. [α]_D²⁰ +10.1 (*c* 5.7 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.20 – 7.91 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.51 (m, 1H), 7.50 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 6.11 – 5.77 (m, 1H), 5.53 (dd, *J* = 12.7, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.34 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (d, *J* = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.01 – 1.81 (m, 2H), 1.75 – 1.54 (m, 2H), 0.14 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.8, 136.3, 132.9, 130.4, 129.6, 128.3, 116.8, 106.7, 85.0, 74.7, 33.3, 24.2, 19.7, 0.1. HRMS (ESI+, *m/z*): calcd for C₁₈H₂₄O₂SiNa [M+Na]⁺: 323.14378, found 323.14404. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak AD-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 99.9/0.1, 0.5 mL/min, 226 nm, column temperature 40 °C), retention times: *t*_R (major) 13.80 min, *t*_R (minor) 12.98 min.

(+)-(S)-8-(Trimethylsilyl)oct-1-en-7-yn-3-yl cinnamate (6c)



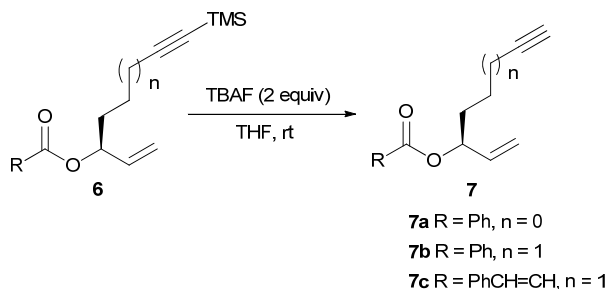
Colorless oil. Yield: 75%. ee: 96%. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +16.0$ (*c* 0.4 in CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.44 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 6.46 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.90 – 5.78 (m, 1H), 5.41 (d, $J = 5.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.31 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.21 (d, $J = 10.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.30 – 2.24 (m, 2H), 1.80 (t, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 2H), 1.68 – 1.52 (m, 2H), 0.13 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.8, 144.8, 136.3, 134.4, 130.3, 128.9, 128.1, 118.3, 116.8, 106.7, 85.0, 74.3, 33.3, 24.2, 19.6, 0.1. HRMS (ESI+, m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_2\text{SiNa}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 349.15943, found 349.15943. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak AD-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 99/1, 0.5 mL/min, 270 nm, column temperature 40°C), retention times: t_R (major) 14.48 min, t_R (minor) 12.64 min.

(+)-(S)-2-Methyl-8-(trimethylsilyl)oct-1-en-7-yn-3-yl benzoate (6d)



Colorless oil. Yield: 72%. ee: 92%. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +13.0$ (*c* 1.9 in CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.07 (dd, $J = 8.1, 1.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.64 – 7.52 (m, 1H), 7.45 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 5.44 (t, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.05 (s, 1H), 4.94 (s, 1H), 2.28 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2H), 1.91 (dt, $J = 14.4, 4.7$ Hz, 2H), 1.81 (s, 3H), 1.70 – 1.52 (m, 2H), 0.14 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) 165.71, 142.9, 132.9, 130.5, 129.6, 128.3, 112.8, 106.7, 85.1, 77.3, 31.7, 24.3, 19.6, 18.2, 0.1. HRMS (APCI+, m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{27}\text{O}_2\text{Si}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 315.17748, found 315.17749. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak AD-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 99.9/0.1, 0.5 mL/min, 226 nm, column temperature 40°C), retention times: t_R (major) 14.62 min, t_R (minor) 12.83 min.

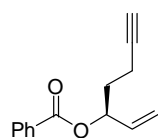
2.5 General procedure for deprotection of trimethylsilyl (TMS) alkynes



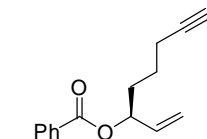
In a roundbottom flask, a solution of tetra-*n*-butylammonium fluoride (TBAF) (1.0M in THF) (2.0 equiv) was added dropwise to a solution of allylic ester **6** (1.0 equiv) in dry THF

(0.05 M) at 0 °C. The mixture was allowed to warm to rt over 1h. The reaction was quenched with water and extracted with ether (3×). The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated. The crude material was purified by column chromatography over silica gel (Et₂O/*n*-Pentane 1% to 2%) to yield the desired product **7**.

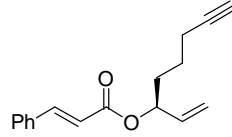
(+)-(S)-Hept-1-en-6-yn-3-yl benzoate (7a)

Colorless oil. Yield: 74%. ee: 98%. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +15.6$ (*c* 0.8 in CHCl₃).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.16 – 7.99 (m, 2H), 7.59 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.46 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 6.01 – 5.80 (m, 1H), 5.61 (dd, *J* = 12.9, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.37 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (d, *J* = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (td, *J* = 7.3, 2.6 Hz, 2H), 2.19 – 1.85 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.7, 135.6, 133.0, 130.3, 129.6, 128.4, 117.3, 83.1, 73.9, 69.0, 33.1, 14.6. HRMS (ESI+, *m/z*): calcd for C₁₄H₁₄O₂Na [M+Na]⁺: 237.08860, found 237.08813. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak AD-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 99/1, 0.5 mL/min, 226 nm, column temperature 40°C), retention times: *t*_R (major) 17.15 min, *t*_R (minor) 14.71 min.

(+)-(S)-Oct-1-en-7-yn-3-yl benzoate (7b)

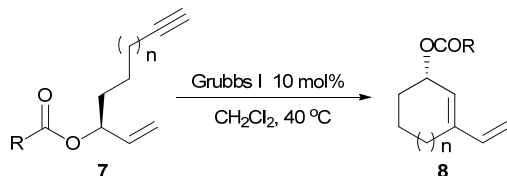
Colorless oil. Yield: 85%. ee: 97%. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +18.7$ (*c* 3.7 in CHCl₃).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.15 – 7.97 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.51 (m, 1H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.90 (ddd, *J* = 16.9, 10.5, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 5.55 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 5.34 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (m, 2H), 1.97 (s, 1H), 1.89 (m, 2H), 1.78 – 1.52 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.7, 136.2, 132.9, 130.4, 129.6, 128.3, 116.9, 83.8, 74.7, 68.8, 33.3, 24.0, 18.2. HRMS (ESI+, *m/z*): calcd for C₁₅H₁₆O₂Na [M+Na]⁺: 251.10425, found 251.10459. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak OB-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 98/2, 0.5 mL/min, 226 nm, column temperature 40 °C), retention times: *t*_R (major) 13.95 min, *t*_R (minor) 16.48 min.

(+)-(S)-Oct-1-en-7-yn-3-yl cinnamate (7c)

Colorless oil. Yield: 83%. ee: 96%. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +33$ (*c* 1.1 in CHCl₃).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.36 (m, 3H), 6.46 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 5.85 (ddd, *J* = 17.0, 10.5, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.41 (dd, *J* = 13.0, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 5.31 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (dt, *J* = 10.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (td, *J* = 7.0, 2.6 Hz, 2H), 1.97 (s, 1H), 1.88 – 1.78 (m, 2H),

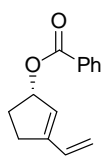
1.70 – 1.57 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.2, 144.9, 136.3, 134.4, 130.3, 128.9, 128.1, 118.2, 116.9, 83.9, 74.3, 68.7, 33.2, 24.0, 18.2. HRMS (ESI+, m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 277.11990, found 277.12027. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak OJ-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 99/1, 0.5 mL/min, 270 nm, column temperature 40 °C), retention times: t_R (major) 31.19 min, t_R (minor) 35.12 min.

2.6 General procedure for the Ru-catalyzed ene-yne metathesis:⁵



The corresponding substrate **7a-c** was dissolved in degassed CH_2Cl_2 (0.05 M) and Grubbs 1st generation catalyst (10 mol%) was added to the solution in two portions. The mixture was refluxed under an ethylene atmosphere (1 atm, balloon) until full conversion was reached (24-48h), as indicated by TLC. The mixture was concentrated after filtration through a pad of silica and purified by column chromatography over silica gel ($\text{Et}_2\text{O}/n$ -Pentane 1% to 2%) to yield the desired products **8a-c** as colourless oils.

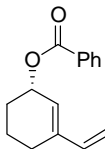
(-)-(S)-3-Vinylcyclopent-2-en-1-yl benzoate (**8a**)



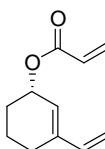
Colorless oil. Yield: 43%. ee: 98%. $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -145.4 (*c* 3.2 in CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.06 – 7.95 (m, 2H), 7.53 (dd, J = 10.5, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 7.39-7.46 (m, 2H), 6.62 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.6 Hz, 1H), 6.04 – 5.93 (m, 1H), 5.88 (s, 1H), 5.29 (d, J = 17.5 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.76 – 2.65 (m, 1H), 2.41-2.55 (m, 2H), 2.07 (ddd, J = 8.7, 6.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.4, 148.2, 132.8, 132.7, 130.7, 129.6, 128.2, 127.8, 117.5, 81.0, 30.1, 29.2. TOF-MS (DART, m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 215.1028, found 215.0989. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak OB-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 99/1, 0.5 mL/min, 226 nm, column temperature 40 °C), retention times: t_R (major) 17.73 min, t_R (minor) 11.67 min.

⁵ J. F. Teichert, S. Zhang, A. W. van Zijl, J. W. Slaa, A. J. Minnaard, B. L. Feringa, *Org. Lett.* **2010**, *12*, 4658-4660.

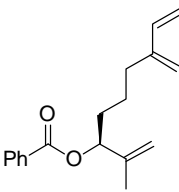
(-)-(S)-3-Vinylcyclohex-2-en-1-yl benzoate (8b)

 Colorless oil. Yield: 87%. ee: 96%. $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -204 (*c* 5.5 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.08 – 8.02 (m, 2H), 7.64 – 7.50 (m, 1H), 7.49 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 6.38 (dd, *J* = 17.5, 10.7 Hz, 1H), 5.86 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 5.62 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (d, *J* = 17.5 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (dt, *J* = 17.3, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 2.23 – 2.09 (m, 1H), 2.06 – 1.83 (m, 3H), 1.83 – 1.70 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.2, 140.7, 139.0, 132.8, 130.7, 130.5, 129.6, 128.3, 126.4, 113.5, 69.5, 28.4, 23.6, 19.1. HRMS (ESI+, *m/z*): calcd for C₁₅H₁₆O₂Na [M+Na]⁺: 251.10425, found 251.10461. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak OB-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 99/1, 0.5 mL/min, 226 nm, column temperature 40 °C), retention times: *t*_R (major) 15.08 min, *t*_R (minor) 10.45 min.

(-)-(S)-3-Vinylcyclohex-2-en-1-yl benzoate (8c)

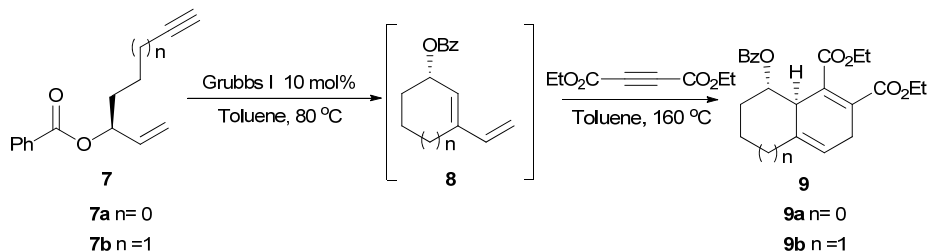
 Colorless oil. Yield: 85%. ee: 96%. $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -197 (*c* 3.1 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (dd, *J* = 6.7, 2.8 Hz, 2H), 7.44 – 7.37 (m, 3H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.41 (dd, *J* = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H), 5.83 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 5.29 (d, *J* = 17.4 Hz, 1H), 5.12 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 2.31 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.23 – 2.14 (m, 1H), 2.03 – 1.70 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.3, 147.3, 143.4, 141.7, 137.2, 132.9, 131.6, 130.7, 129.1, 121.2, 116.2, 71.6, 31.2, 26.4, 21.5. HRMS (ESI+, *m/z*): calcd for C₁₇H₁₈O₂Na [M+Na]⁺: 277.11990, found 277.12029. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak AS-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 99/1, 0.5 mL/min, 221 nm, column temperature 40°C), retention times: *t*_R (major) 10.54 min, *t*_R (minor) 14.00 min.

(+)-(S)-2-Methyl-7-methylenenona-1,8-dien-3-yl benzoate (8d)

 In a roundbottom flask, a solution of tetra-*n*-butylammonium fluoride (TBAF) (1.0M in THF) (2.0 equiv) was added dropwise to a solution of allylic ester **6d** (1.0 equiv) in dry THF (0.05 M) at 0 °C. The mixture was allowed to warm to rt over 1h. The reaction was quenched with water and extracted with ether (3×10 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated. The corresponding intermediate **7d** was then dissolved in degassed CH₂Cl₂ (0.05 M) and Grubbs 1st

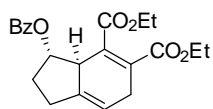
generation catalyst (10 mol%) was added to the solution in two portions. The mixture was refluxed under an ethylene atmosphere (1 atm, balloon) until full conversion was reached (20h), as indicated by GC-MS. The mixture was concentrated after filtration through a pad of silica and purified by column chromatography over silica gel (Et₂O/*n*-Pentane 1% to 2%) to yield the desired products **8d** as colourless oil in 66% yield. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +11$ (*c* 1.0 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.59 – 7.88 (m, 2H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.68 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 5.42 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.39 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (s, 1H), 4.92 (s, 1H), 4.83 (s, 1H), 4.81 (s, 1H), 2.24 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.79 (s, 3H), 1.77 – 1.66 (m, 2H), 1.57 – 1.40 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.8, 152.9, 151.2, 143.2, 132.8, 130.6, 129.6, 128.3, 125.3, 112.7, 111.5, 77.8, 35.2, 32.3, 23.6, 18.2. HRMS (APCI+, *m/z*): calcd for C₁₈H₂₃O₂ [M+H]⁺: 271.16926, found 271.16884.

2.7 General procedure for one-pot consecutive Enyne metathesis /Diels–Alder reaction:



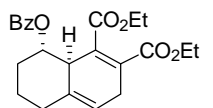
Substrate (**7a-b**) was dissolved in dry toluene (0.05 M) and Grubbs 1st generation catalyst (10 mol%) was added to the solution in two portions (5 mol% at the beginning and 5 mol% after 6 h). The mixture was refluxed in toluene (80 °C) under an ethylene atmosphere (1 atm, balloon) until full conversion to dienol ester (**8a-b**) was reached, as indicated by TLC. Then diethyl acetylenedicarboxylate (10 equiv) was added dropwise and the resulting solution was heated at 160 °C in a sealed tube until TLC analysis indicated complete consumption of diene (**8a-b**). The reaction mixture was filtered through a plug of Silica and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography over silica gel (EtOAc/*n*-Pentane 10% to 20%) to yield the desired products (**9a-b**). The stereochemical outcome was determined by ¹H-NMR and NOESY analysis.

(+)-(3*S*,3*aR*)-Diethyl 3-(benzoyloxy)-2,3,3*a*,6-tetrahydro-1*H*-indene-4,5-dicarboxylate (9a)



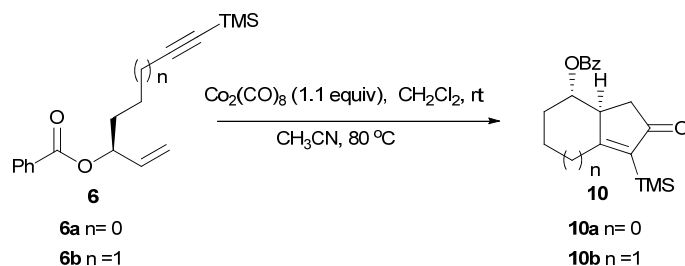
Colorless oil. Yield: 54%. ee: 97%. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +70.2$ (*c* 0.7 in CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.08 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.59 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.62 (s, 1H), 5.22 (dd, $J = 16.5$, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.19 – 4.24 (m, 4H), 3.96 – 4.01 (m, 1H), 3.83 – 3.89 (m, 1H), 3.62 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.19 (dt, $J = 22.6$, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.99 (dd, $J = 22.5$, 11.9 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (d, $J = 11.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.39 – 2.48 (m, 2H), 1.85 – 1.74 (m, 1H), 1.29 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H), 1.10 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.4, 168.5, 168.4, 141.8, 138.1, 135.8, 132.6, 132.3, 131.1, 130.5, 119.1, 64.0, 63.8, 48.9, 32.4, 32.3, 30.6, 29.5, 16.7, 16.3. HRMS (ESI+, m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}_6$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 385.16456, found 385.16560. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak OJ-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 97/3, 0.5 mL/min, 232 nm, column temperature 40 °C), retention times: t_R (major) 10.54 min, t_R (minor) 14.00 min.

(+)-(8*S*,8*aR*)-Diethyl 8-(benzoyloxy)-3,5,6,7,8,8*a*-hexahydronaphthalene-1,2-dicarboxylate (9b)



Colorless oil. Yield: 68%. ee: 96%. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +87$ (*c* 2.4 in CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.05 (dd, $J = 8.2$, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (dd, $J = 10.6$, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 5.58 (s, 1H), 4.90 (td, $J = 10.7$, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (dq, $J = 10.9$, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (dq, $J = 10.9$, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (dq, $J = 10.7$, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (dt, $J = 11.2$, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.45 (dq, $J = 10.7$, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.18 (dd, $J = 23.2$, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (dddd, $J = 23.2$, 6.1, 3.9, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (d, $J = 13.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.27 (dd, $J = 12.5$, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 2.02 (t, $J = 13.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.91 (d, $J = 13.1$ Hz, 1H), 1.71 – 1.59 (m, 1H), 1.54 – 1.42 (m, 1H), 1.26 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H), 0.78 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H). Apt NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.4, 167.3, 165.5, 135.0, 134.6, 133.2, 131.7, 130.2, 129.9, 128.4, 117.5, 77.1, 61.3, 61.2, 45.0, 34.7, 32.9, 28.0, 25.1, 14.2, 13.2. HRMS (ESI+, m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{29}\text{O}_6\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 421.16216, found 421.16245. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak OJ-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 99/1, 0.5 mL/min, 233 nm, column temperature 40 °C), retention times: t_R (major) 32.440 min, t_R (minor) 28.68 min.

2.8 General procedure for the Pauson-Khand reaction:⁶



A solution of enyne **6** (1.0 equiv) in dry CH_2Cl_2 (0.05 M) was added to a flask containing $\text{Co}_2(\text{CO})_8$ (1.1 equiv) under a N_2 atmosphere. The resulting solution was stirred at RT for 2h until TLC analysis showed that formation of the cobalt complex was complete, and the solvent was then removed *in vacuo*. The residue was diluted with CH_3CN (0.025 M) and the resulting solution was heated to 80 °C until disappearance of the cobalt complex (purple). The reaction mixture was filtered through a plug of Silica and washed by diethyl ether. The combined organic solvents were evaporated and the residue was purified by chromatography over silica gel (EtOAc/*n*-Pentane 5% to 20%) to yield the desired products **10**.

(-)-(1*S*,6*aS*)-5-Oxo-4-(trimethylsilyl)-1,2,3,5,6,6*a*-hexahydropentalen-1-yl benzoate (**10a**)

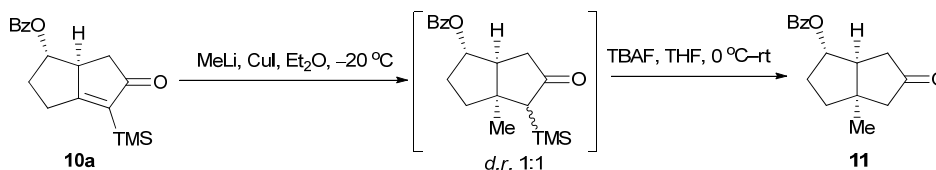
Colorless crystalline. Yield: 64%. ee: 98%. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20}$ -19 (*c* 0.8 in CHCl_3). M.p. 85-91 °C. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.08 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.61 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 4.99 (dd, $J = 17.3, 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.32 – 3.18 (m, 1H), 2.94 (ddd, $J = 18.4, 11.7, 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.82 – 2.71 (m, 1H), 2.67 (dd, $J = 17.9, 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.64 – 2.57 (m, 1H), 2.42 (dd, $J = 17.8, 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.21 (tt, $J = 12.7, 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 0.24 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 215.9, 193.9, 169.1, 141.2, 135.8, 132.6, 132.3, 131.1, 55.3, 44.7, 34.3, 29.3, 1.5. HRMS (ESI+, m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_3\text{SiNa}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 337.12304, found 337.12205. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak AS-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 99/1, 0.5 mL/min, 229 nm, column temperature 40 °C), retention times: t_{R} (major) 12.56 min, t_{R} (minor) 11.75 min.

⁶ a) J. Adrio, M. R. Rivero, J. C. Carretero, *Chem. -Eur. J.* **2001**, 7, 2435-2448; b) R. A. Bauer, C. M. Diblasi, D. S. Tan, *Org. Lett.* **2010**, 12, 2084-2087.

(+)-(7*S*,7*aS*)-2-Oxo-3-(trimethylsilyl)-2,4,5,6,7,7*a*-hexahydro-1*H*-inden-7-yl benzoate (10b)

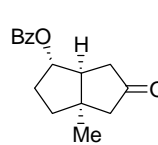
Colorless crystalls. Yield: 55%. ee: 97%. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +166.2$ (*c* 1.0 in CHCl₃).
M.p. 79-82 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 0.9 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (dd, *J* = 10.5, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 4.78 (td, *J* = 10.9, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 3.02 – 2.93 (m, 1H), 2.54 (dd, *J* = 18.7, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.37 – 2.30 (m, 1H), 2.30 – 2.17 (m, 1H), 2.16 – 2.07 (m, 1H), 1.85 – 1.64 (m, 1H), 1.65 – 1.47 (m, 1H), 0.34 – 0.02 (m, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.7, 185.5, 165.9, 139.5, 133.1, 130.2, 129.6, 128.4, 78.5, 49.0, 40.1, 31.2, 30.3, 23.8, -0.4. HRMS (ESI+, *m/z*): calcd for C₁₉H₂₄O₃SiNa [M+Na]⁺: 351.13869, found 351.13911. Ee was determined by chiral HPLC, Chiralpak AD-H (Heptane/*i*-Propanol = 95/5, 0.5 mL/min, 228 nm, column temperature 40 °C), retention times: *t*_R (major) 14.14 min, *t*_R (minor) 11.34 min.

2.9 The synthesis of an all-carbon quaternary stereogenic center:

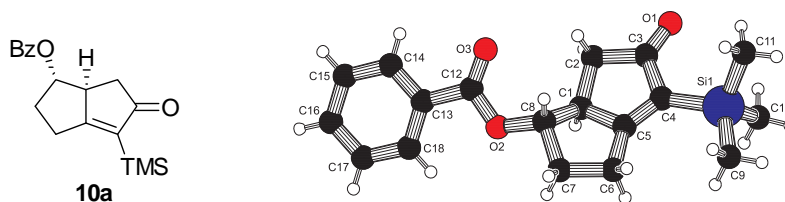


A solution of methyllithium (1.6 M) in dry diethyl ether (0.62 mL, 1 mmol) was slowly added to a suspension of CuI (95.2 mg, 0.5 mmol) in Et₂O (1 mL) at 0 °C under a N₂ atmosphere. The resulting mixture was cooled to -20 °C before a solution of substrate **10a** (15.7 mg, 0.05 mmol) in ether (1 mL) was added dropwise. After stirring at -20 °C over 4h, the reaction mixture was quenched with sat. aq. NH₄Cl (4 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O (3×5 mL). The combined organic layers were concentrated. After the crude mixture was dissolved in dry THF, tetra-*n*-butylammonium fluoride (TBAF) in THF (0.1 mL, 0.1 mmol) was added dropwise to the solution at °C. The mixture was allowed to warm to rt over 1h. The organic solvent was removed under *vacuo*. The crude material was purified by column chromatography over silica gel (Et₂O/*n*-Pentane 10% to 20%) to produce the desired product **11** as colorless oil in 62% yield.

(+)-(1*S*,3*aR*,6*aS*)-3*a*-Methyl-5-oxooctahydropentalen-1-yl benzoate (11)

 $[\alpha]_D^{20} +23.8$ (c 0.7 in CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.06 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.60 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 5.19 (dt, $J = 6.2$, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 2.75 (ddd, $J = 11.4$, 10.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.56 – 2.46 (m, 1H), 2.42 – 2.21 (m, 4H), 2.13 – 2.03 (m, 1H), 1.97 (dt, $J = 13.3$, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 1.80 (ddd, $J = 13.5$, 8.0, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 1.39 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 220.9, 168.8, 135.5, 133.0, 132.0, 131.0, 85.6, 55.8, 54.8, 48.7, 45.2, 40.9, 34.1, 31.1. HRMS (APPI+, m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 259.13287, found 259.13288.

3. Crystal structure determination of 10a



Crystal data. $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_3\text{Si}$, Fw = 314.45, colourless plate, 0.52 x 0.44 x 0.04 mm³, orthorhombic, $\text{P2}_1\text{2}_1\text{2}_1$ (no. 19), $a = 8.6212(3)$, $b = 12.3575(3)$, $c = 15.7882(4)$ Å, $V = 1682.01(8)$ Å³, $Z = 4$, $D_x = 1.242$ g/cm³, $\mu = 0.15$ mm⁻¹. 31746 Reflections were measured on a Bruker Kappa ApexII diffractometer with sealed tube and Triumph monochromator ($\lambda = 0.71073$ Å) up to a resolution of $(\sin \theta/\lambda)_{\text{max}} = 0.65$ Å⁻¹ at a temperature of 150(2) K. Intensity data were integrated with the Eval15 software.⁷ Absorption correction and scaling was performed based on multiple measured reflections with SADABS⁸ (0.53-0.75 correction range). 3867 Reflections were unique ($R_{\text{int}} = 0.028$), of which 3660 were observed [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]. The structure was solved with Direct Methods using the program SHELXS-97⁹ and refined with SHELXL-97⁹ against F^2 of all reflections. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters. Hydrogen atoms were located in difference Fourier maps and refined with a riding model. 203 Parameters were refined with no restraints. $R1/wR2$ [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]: 0.0253 / 0.0665. $R1/wR2$ [all refl.]: 0.0280 / 0.0677. $S = 1.063$. Flack parameter¹⁰ $x = 0.01(8)$. Residual electron density between -0.22

⁷ A. M. M. Schreurs, X. Xian, L. M. J. Kroon-Batenburg, *J. Appl. Cryst.* **2010**, 43, 70-82.

⁸ SADABS: Area-Detector Absorption Correction, v2.10, G. M. Sheldrick, Universität Göttingen, Germany, **1999**.

⁹ G. M. Sheldrick, *Acta Cryst.* **2008**, A64, 112-122.

¹⁰ H. D. Flack, *Acta Cryst.* **1983**, A39, 876-881.

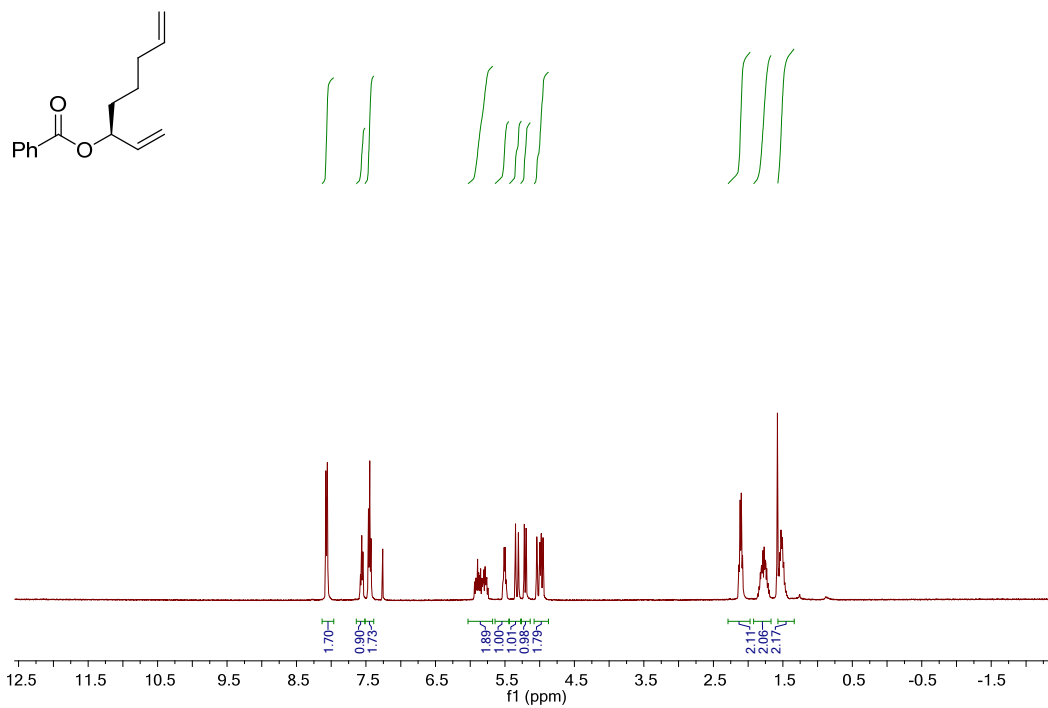
and 0.25 e/Å³. Geometry calculations and checking for higher symmetry was performed with the PLATON program¹¹.

¹¹ A. L. Spek, *Acta Cryst.* **2009**, *D65*, 148-155.

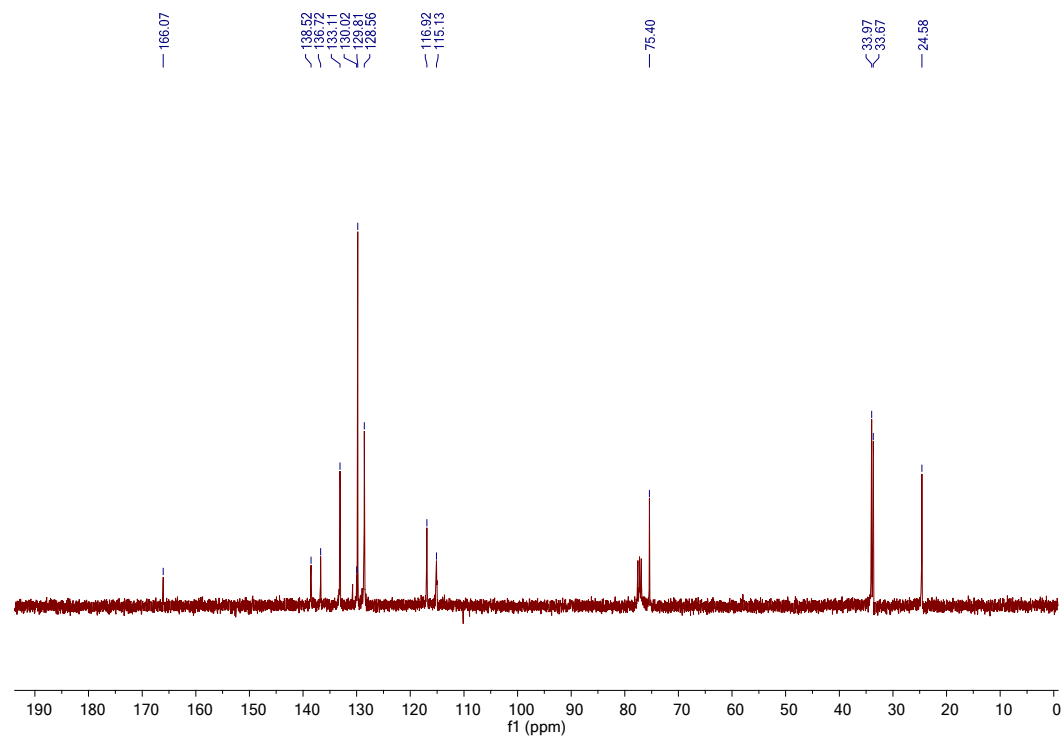
4. NMR Spectroscopy

(+)-(S)-Octa-1,7-dien-3-yl benzoate (3a)

^1H -NMR

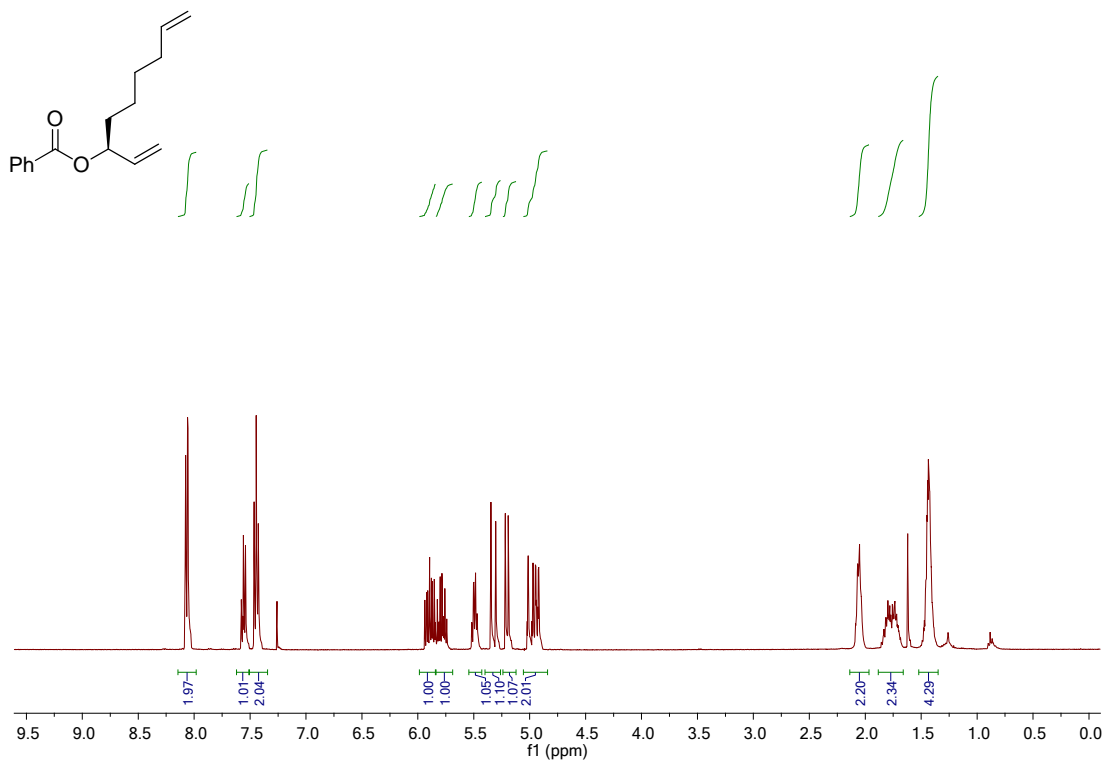


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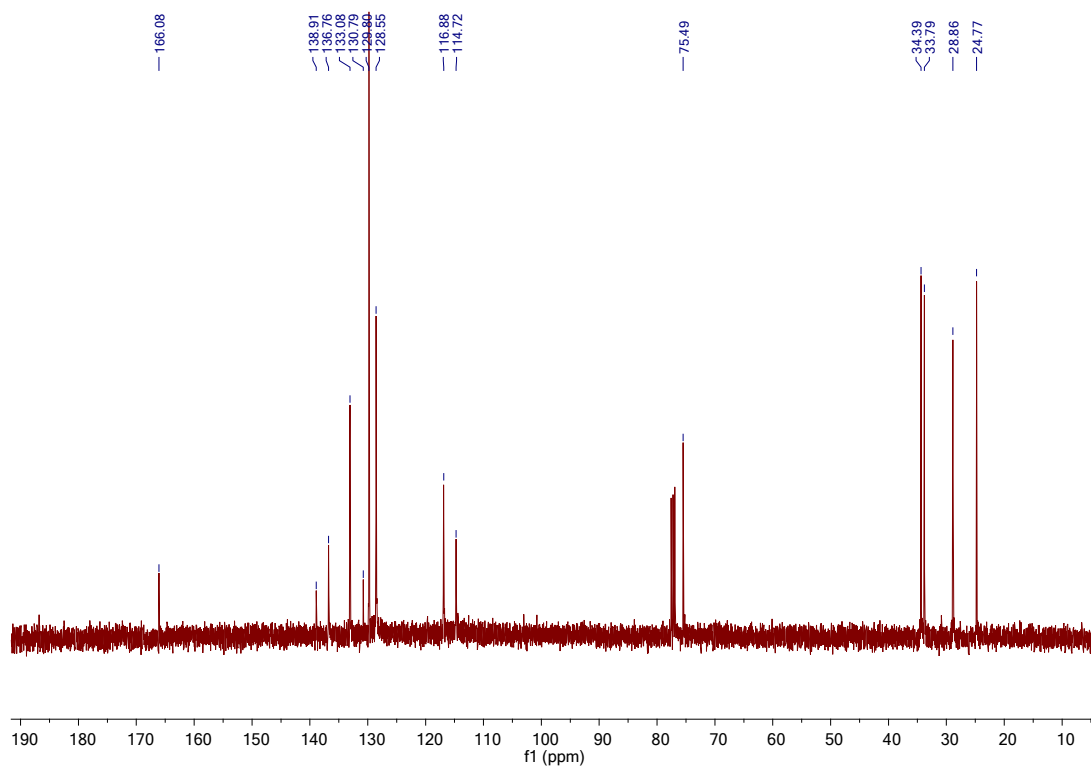


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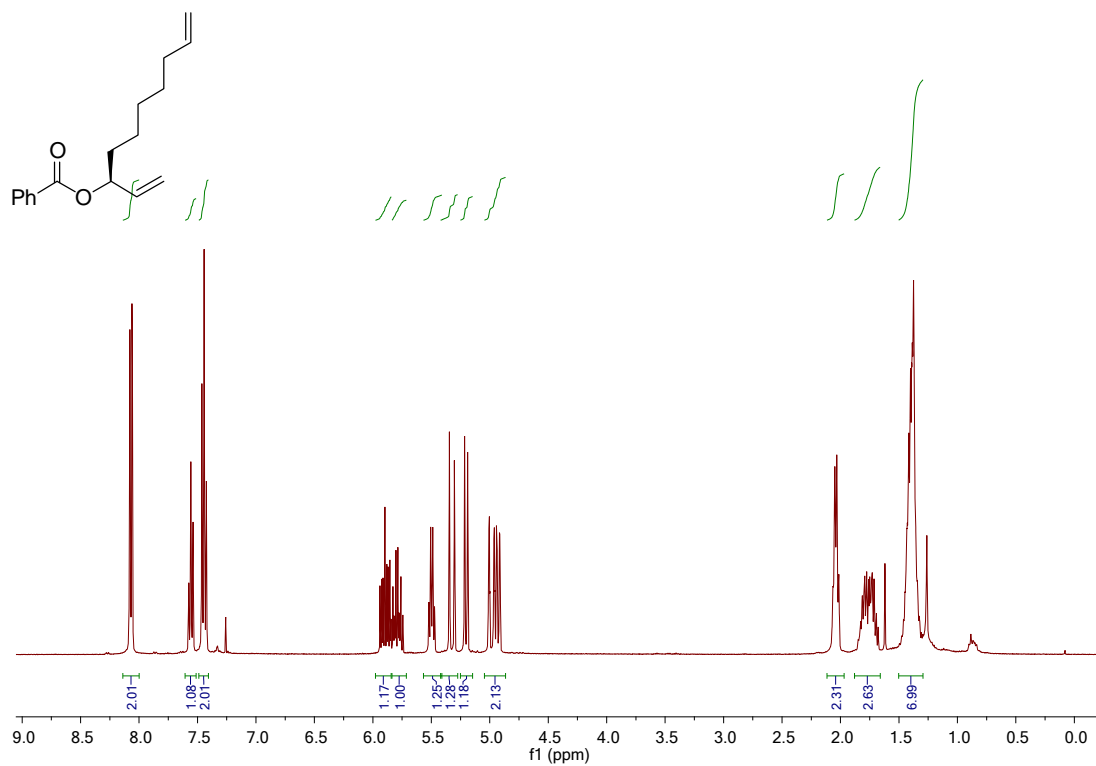


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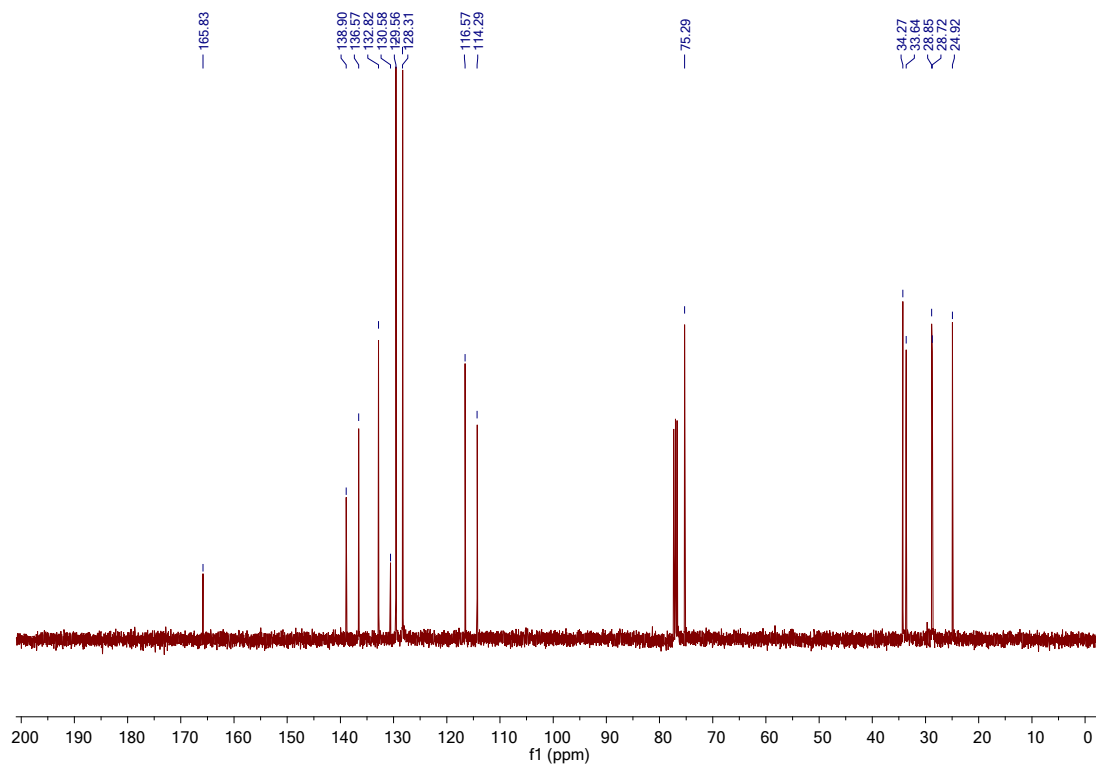


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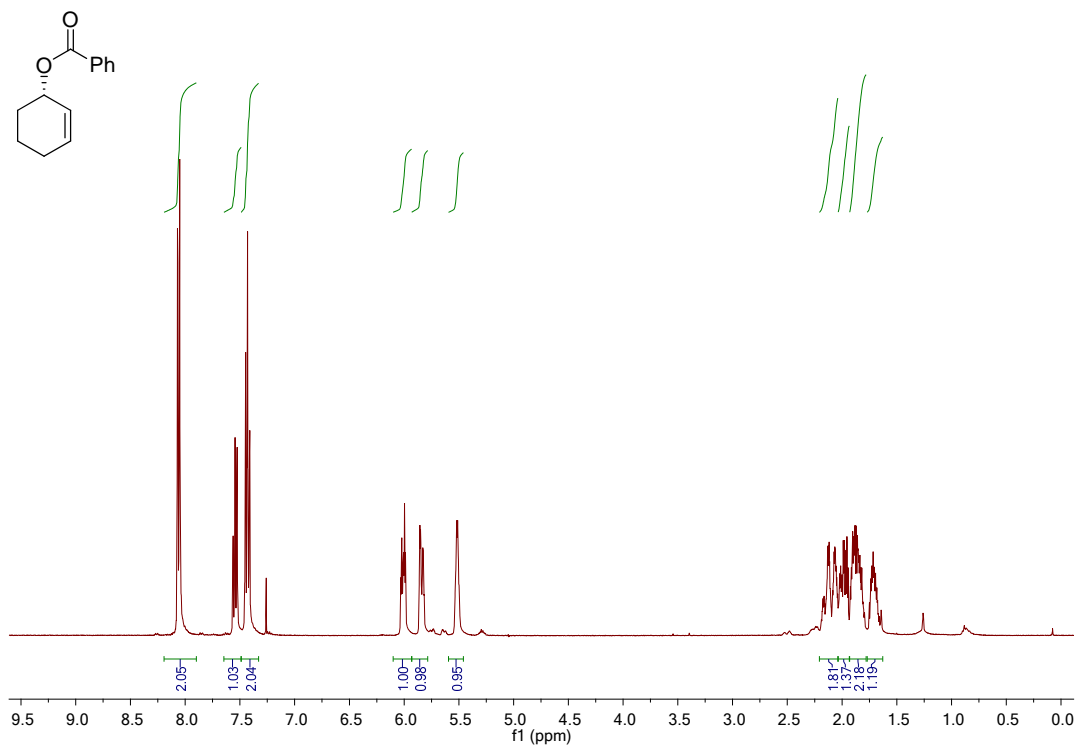


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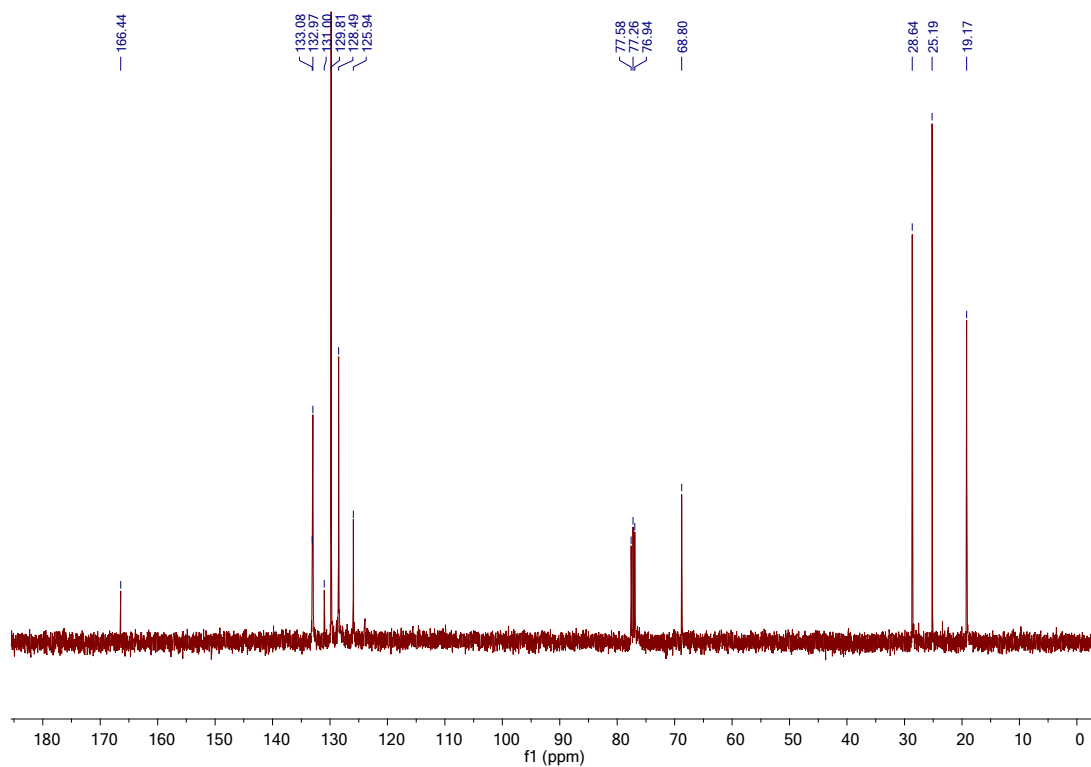


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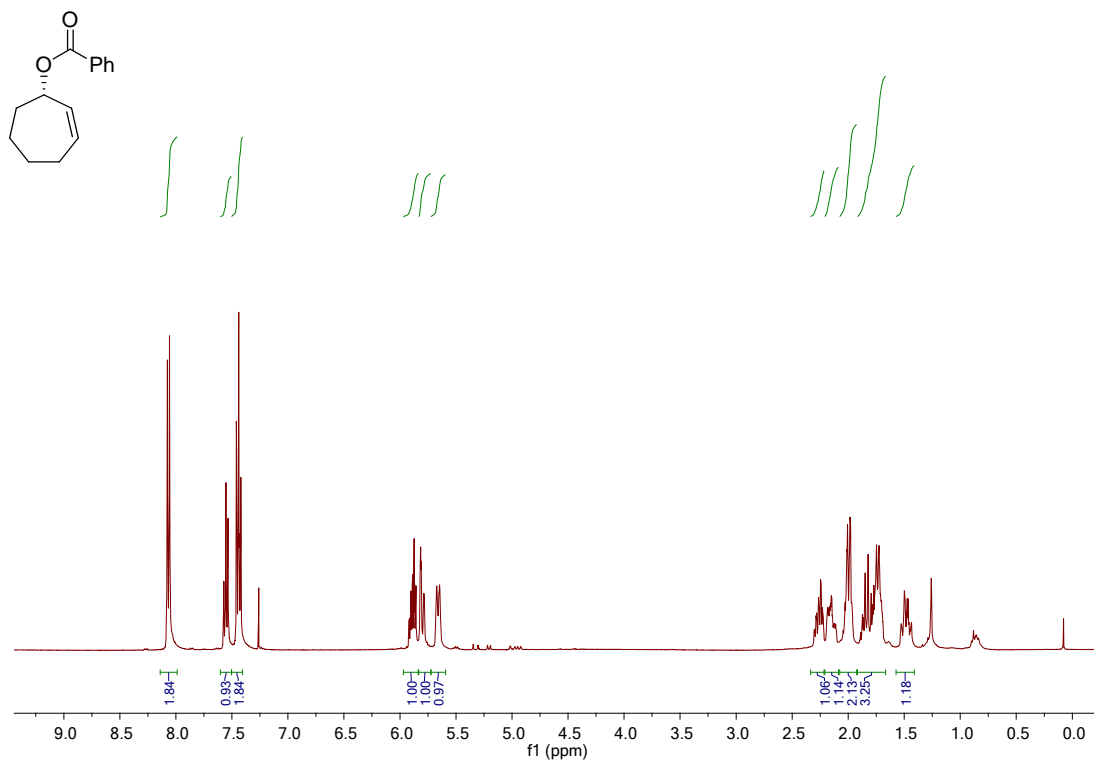


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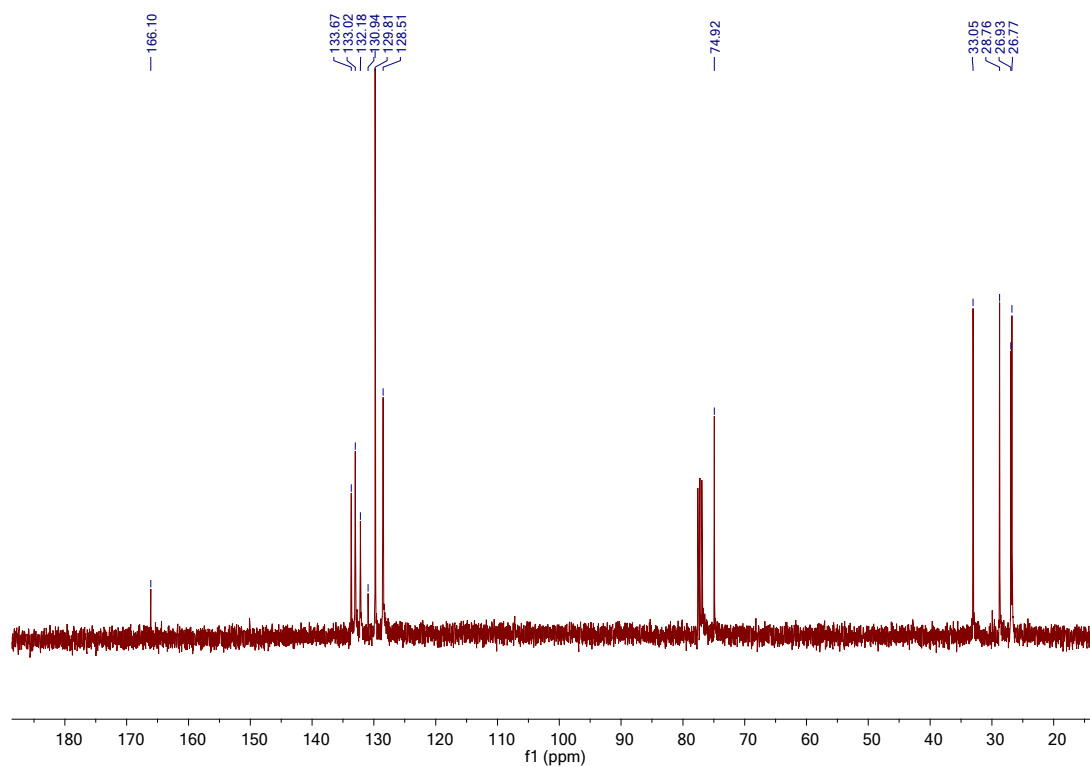


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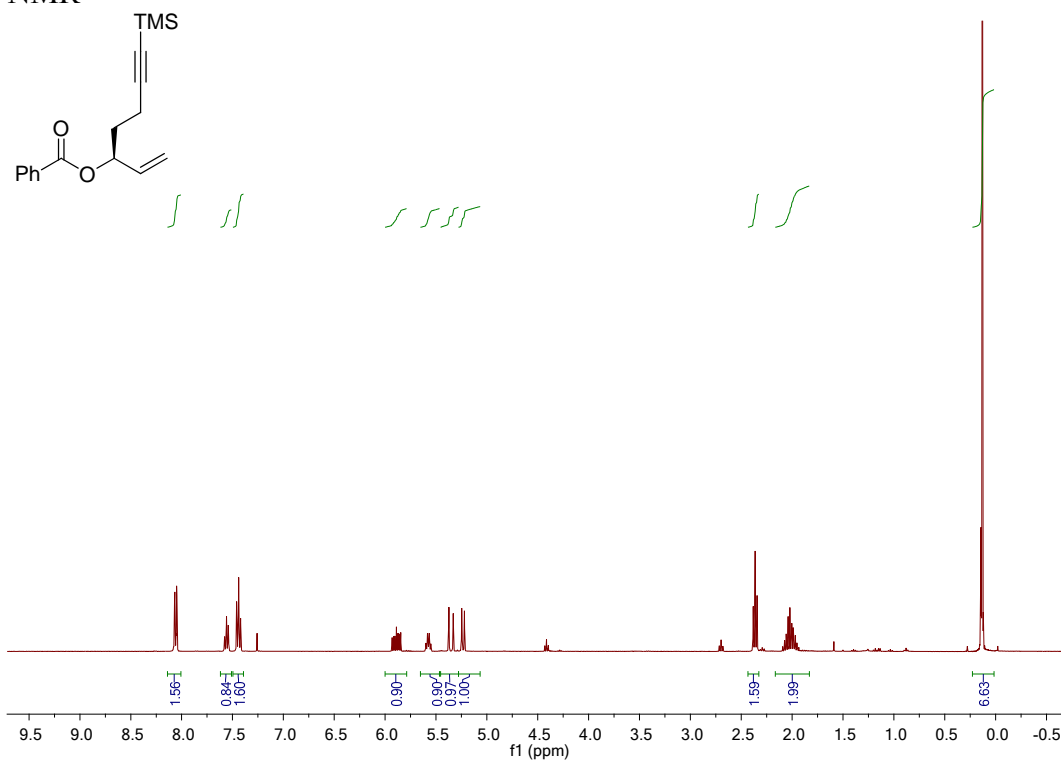


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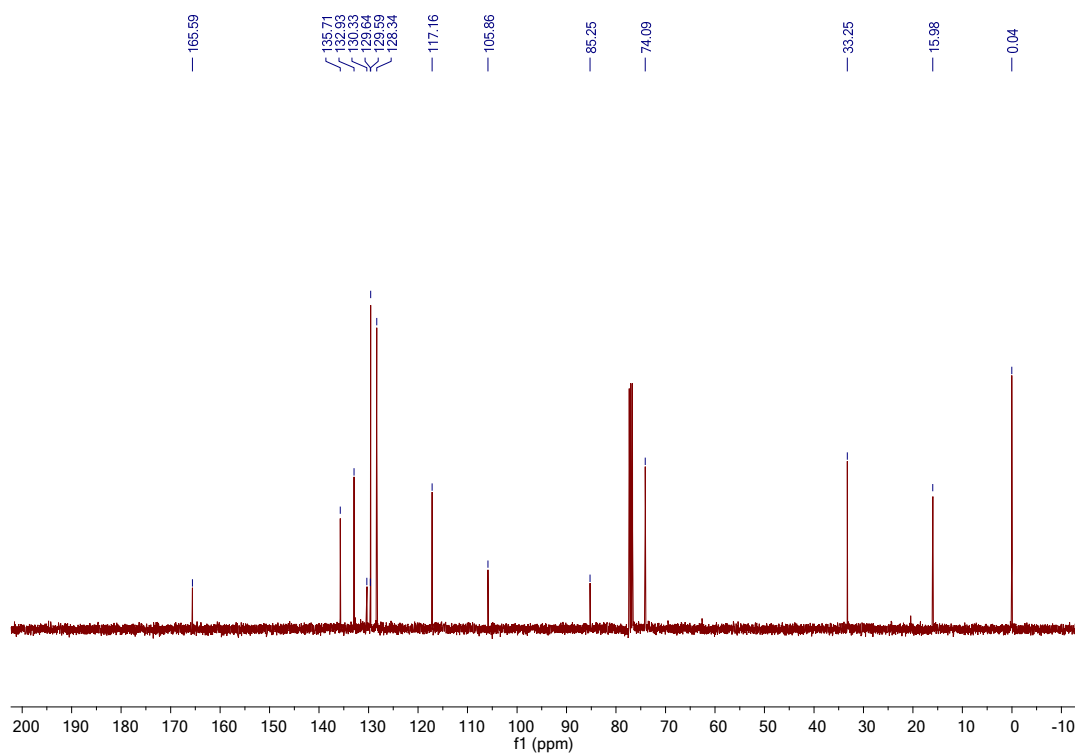


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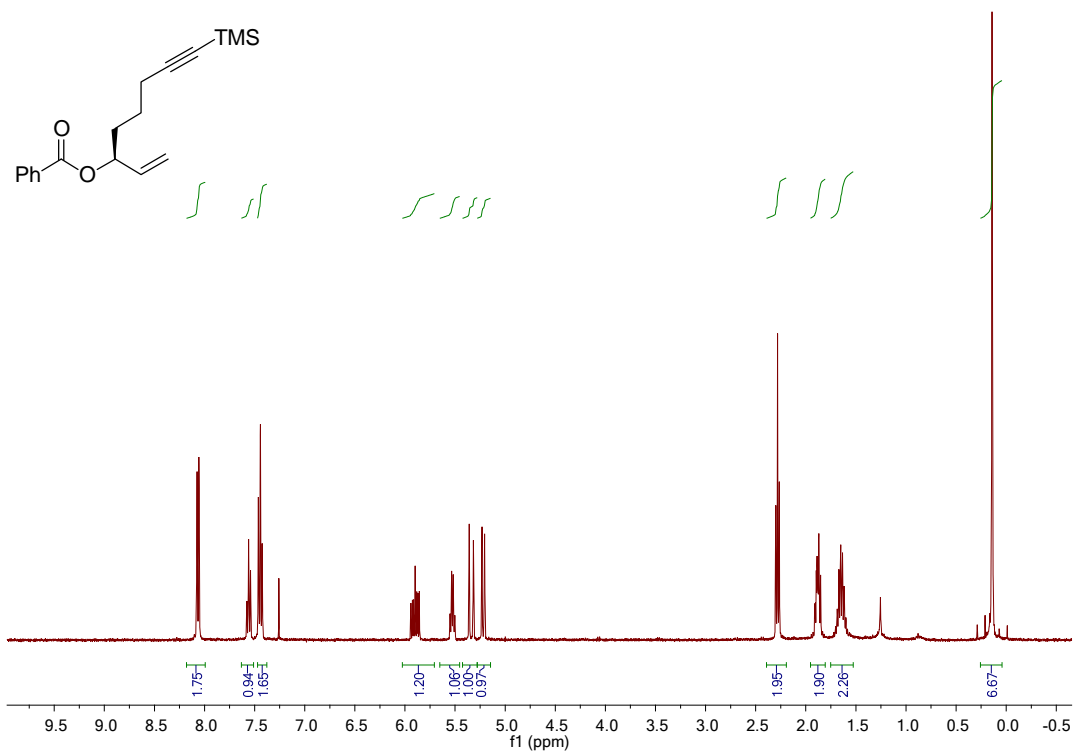


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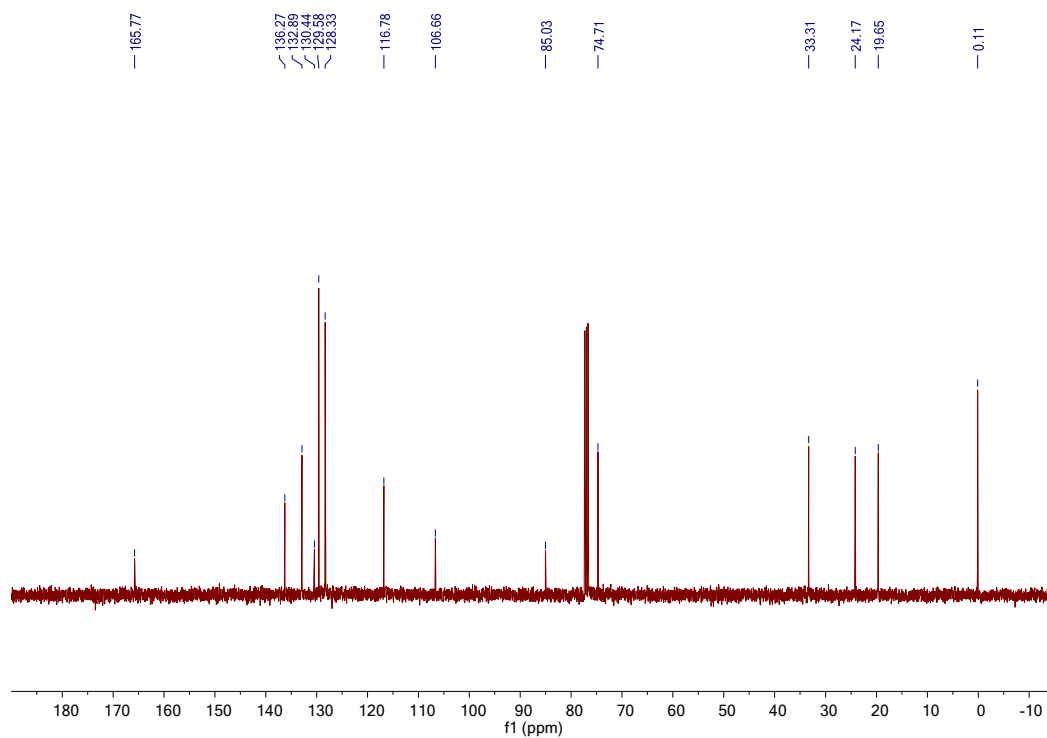


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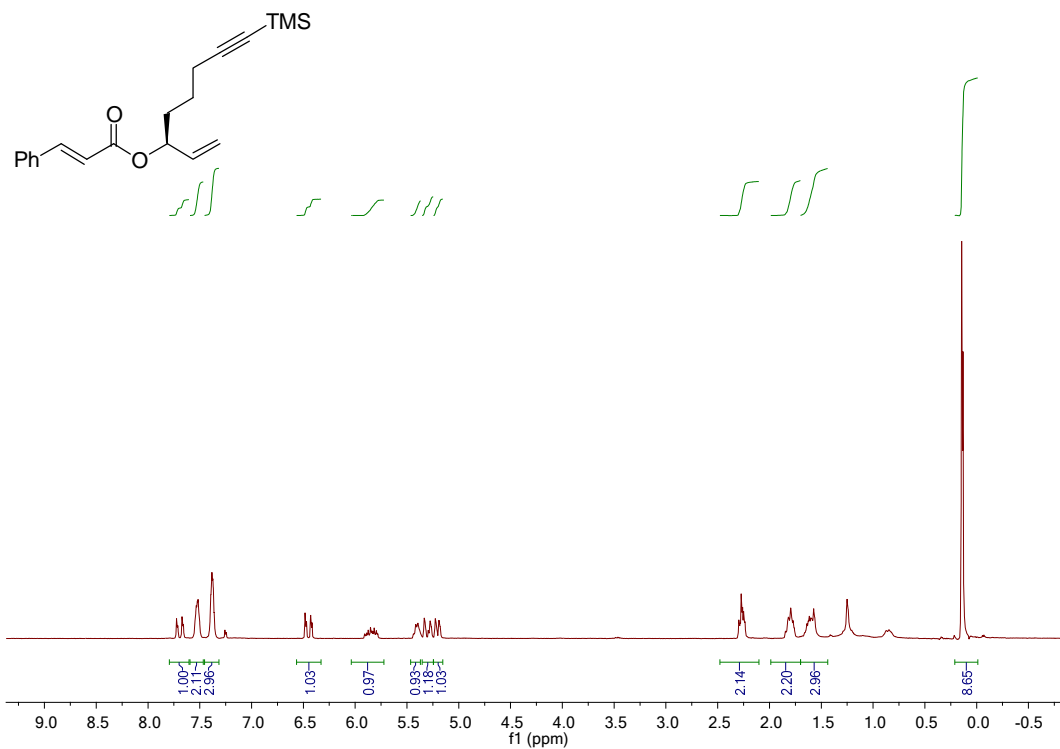
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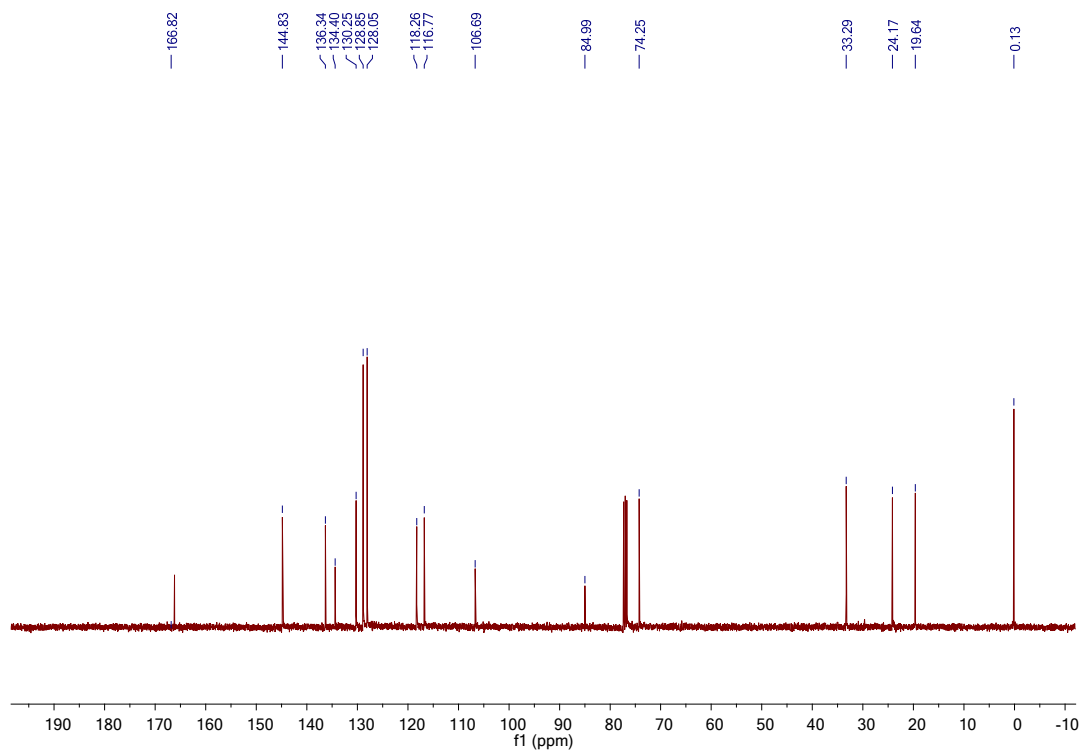
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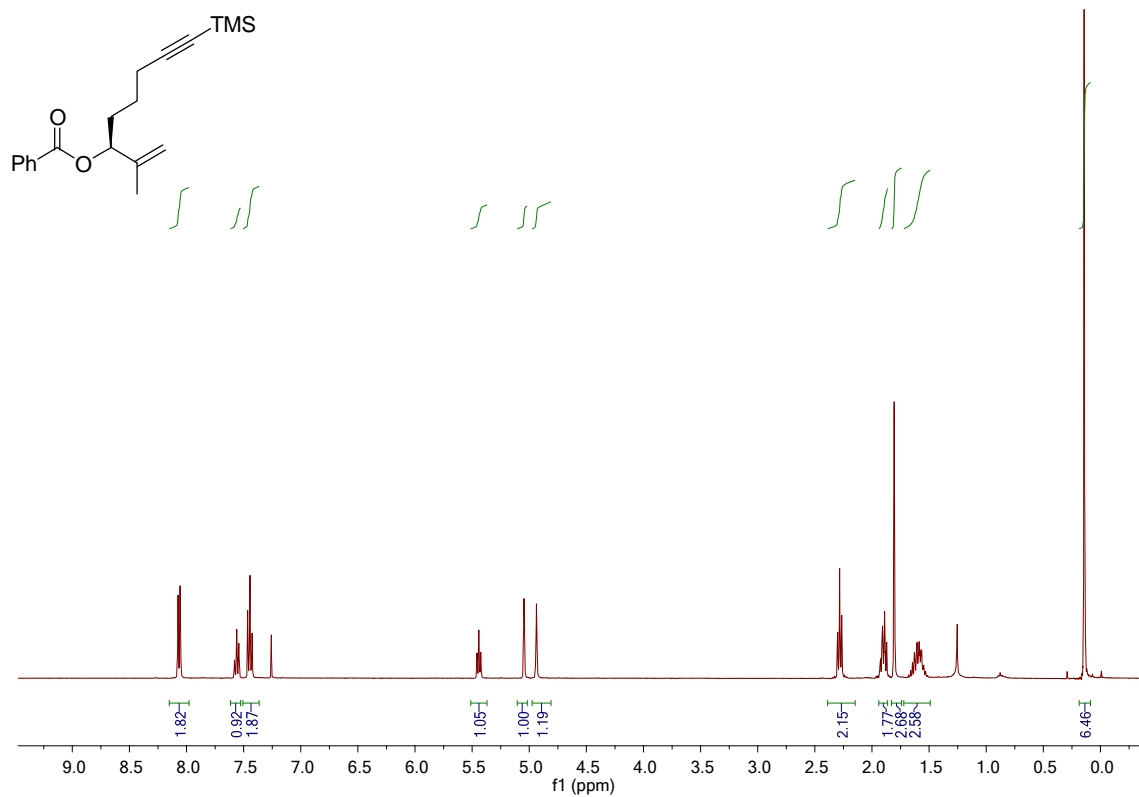


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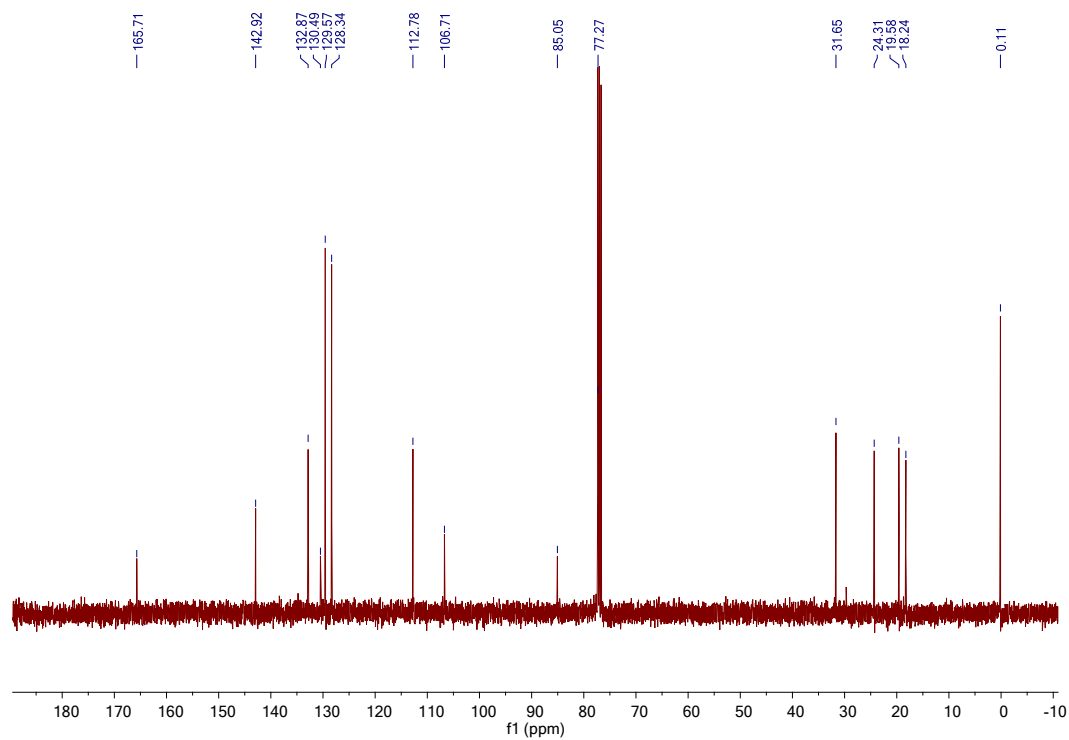


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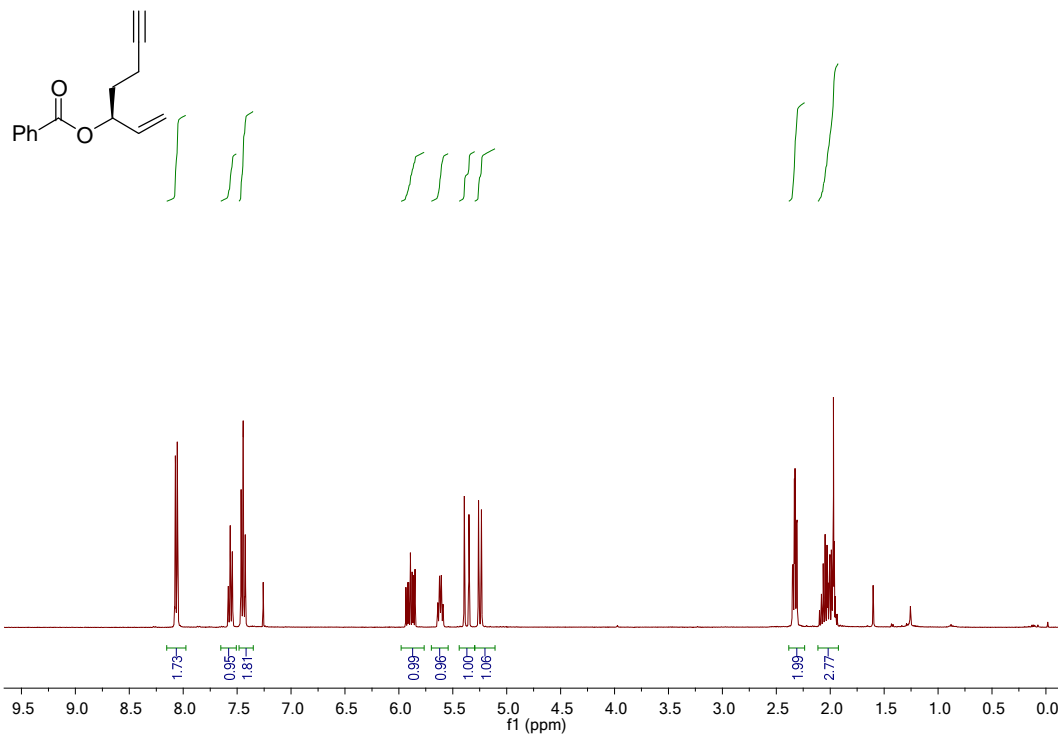


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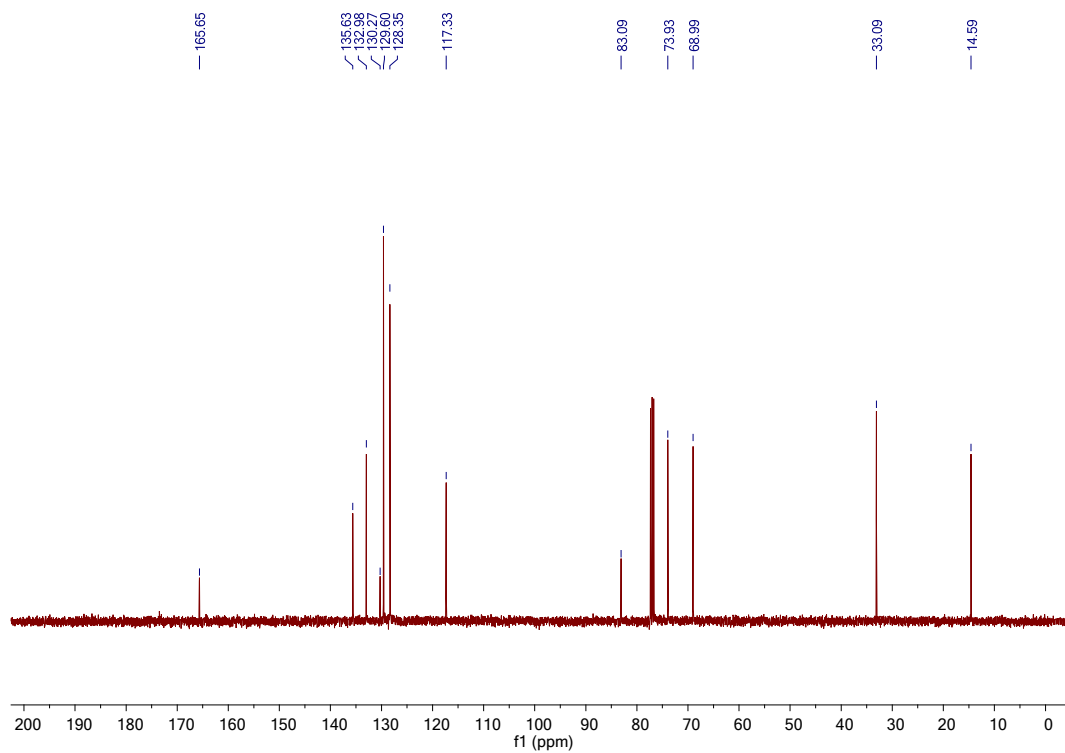


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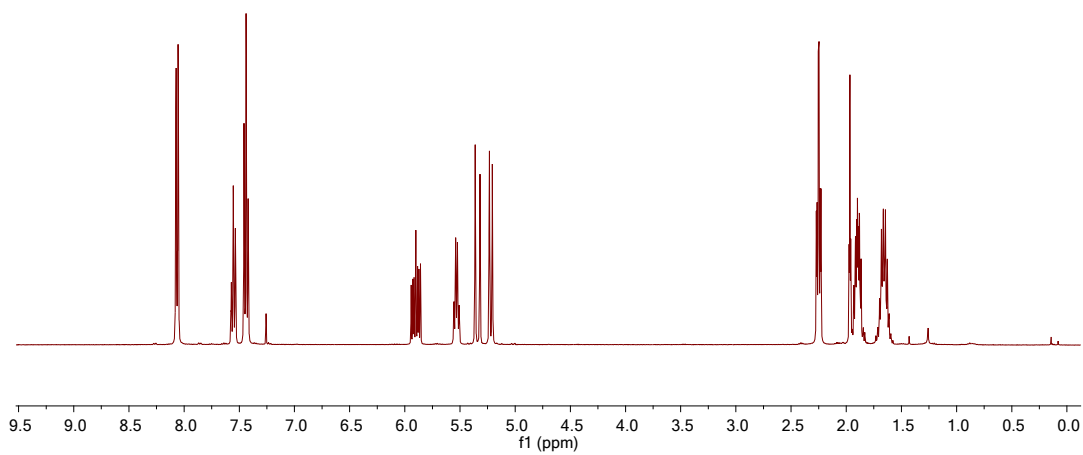
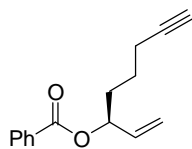


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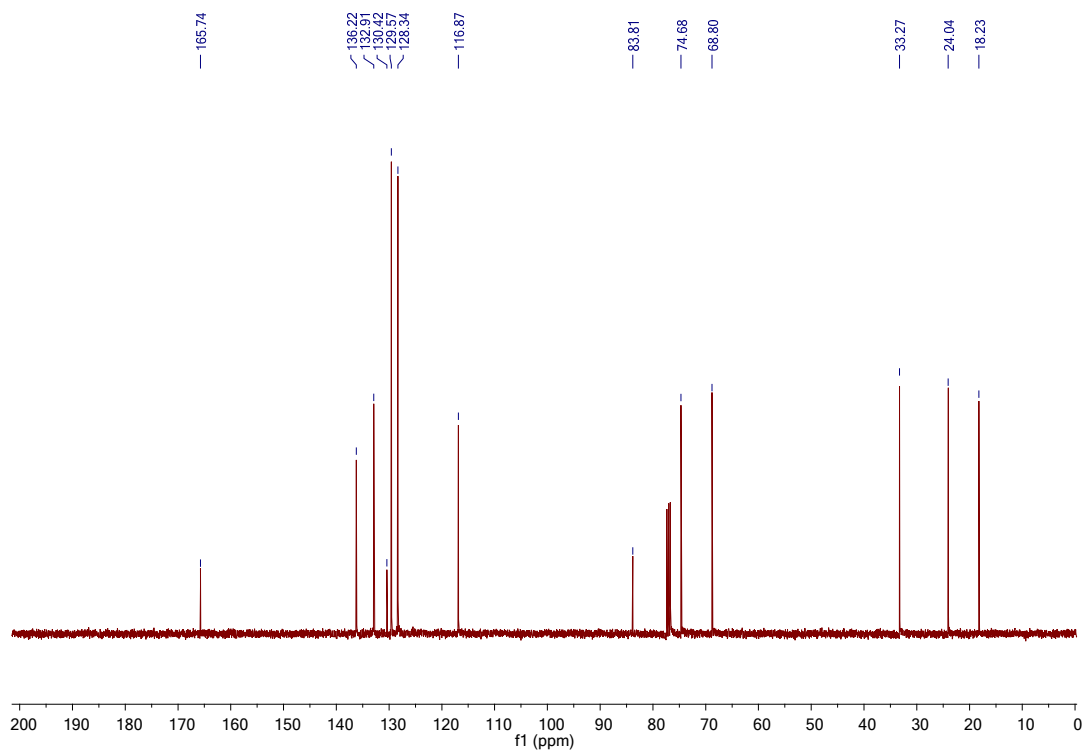


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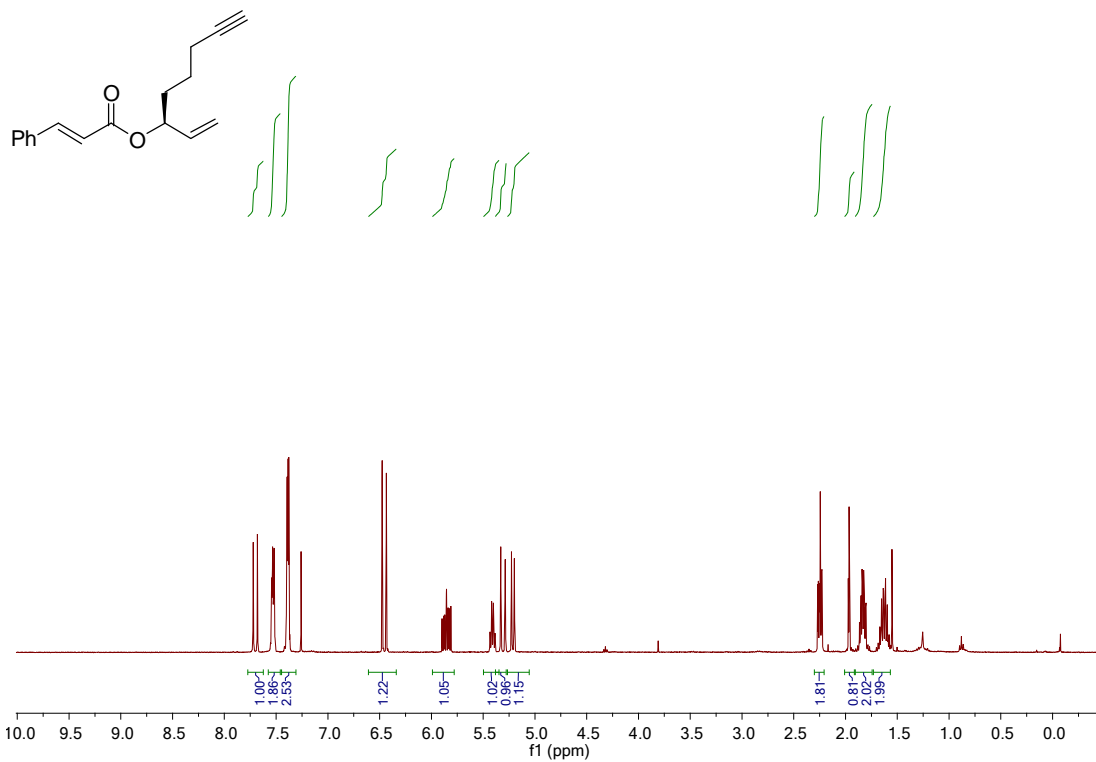


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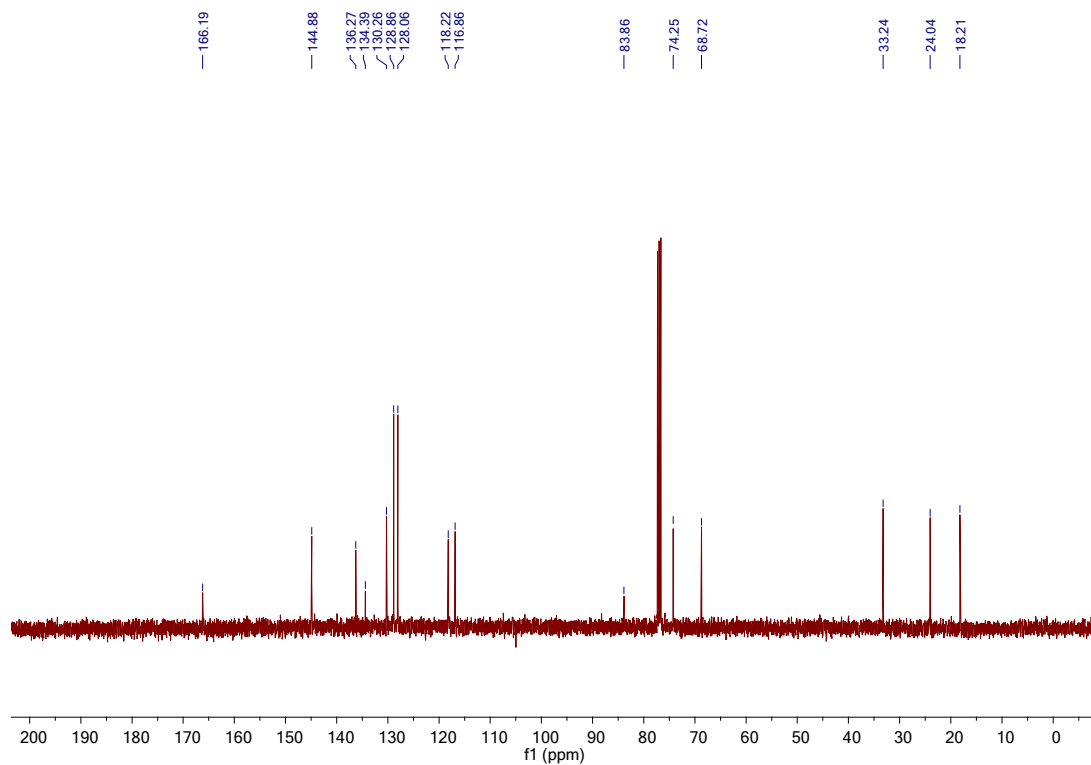


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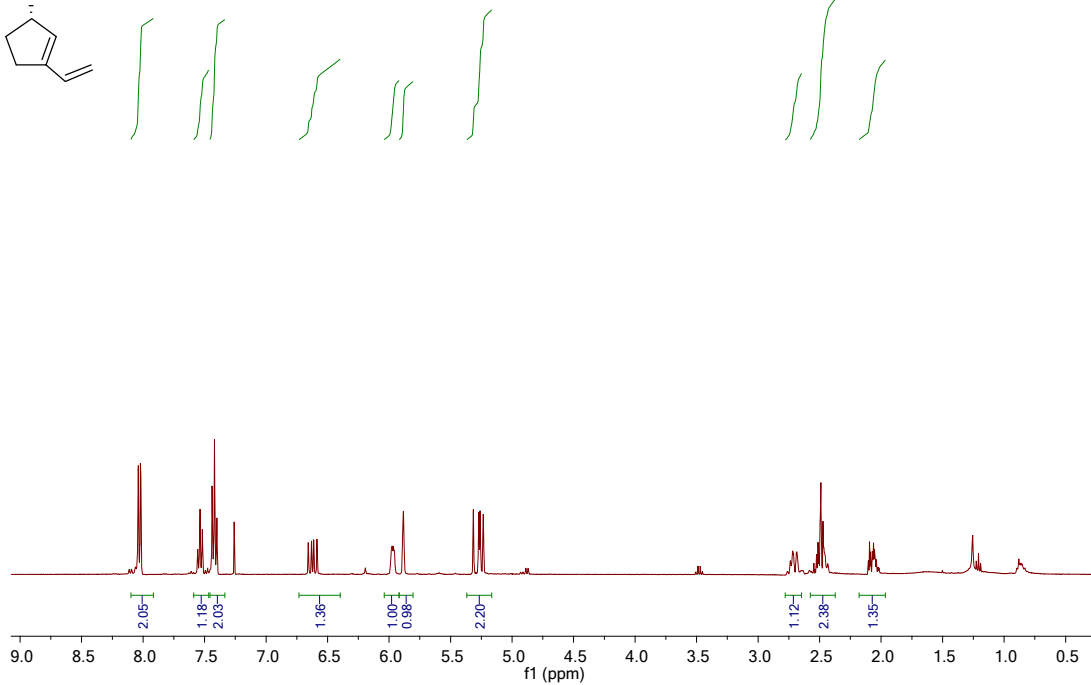
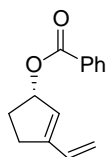


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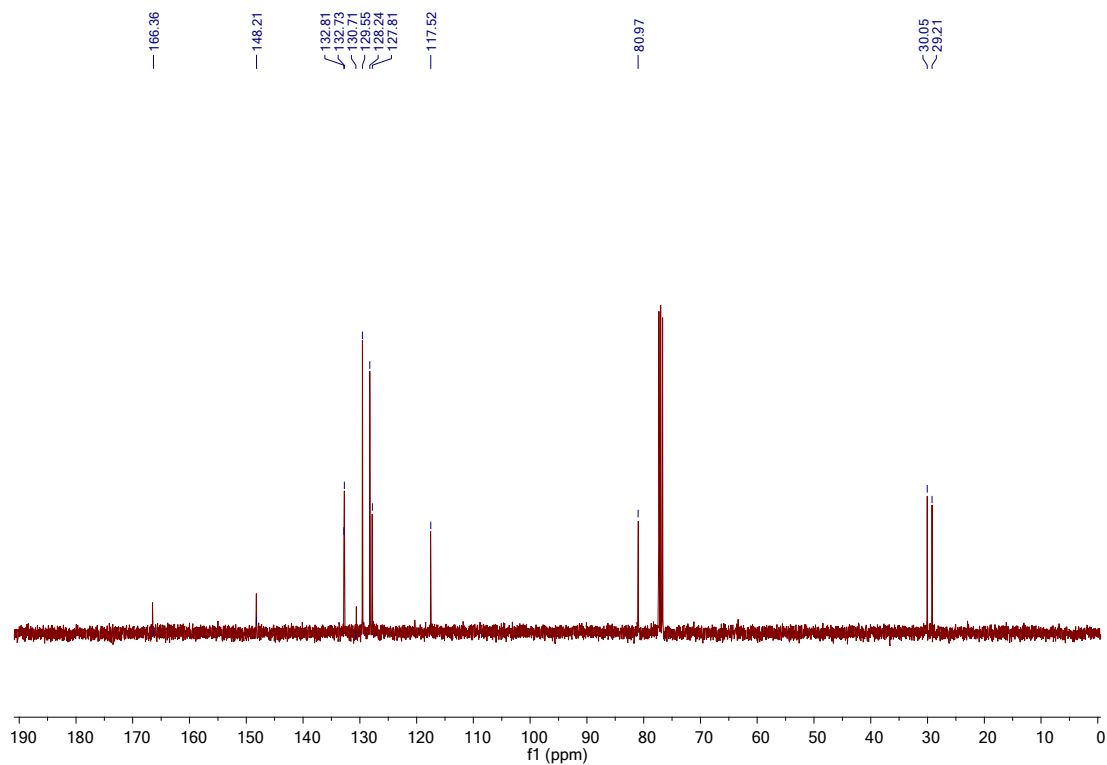


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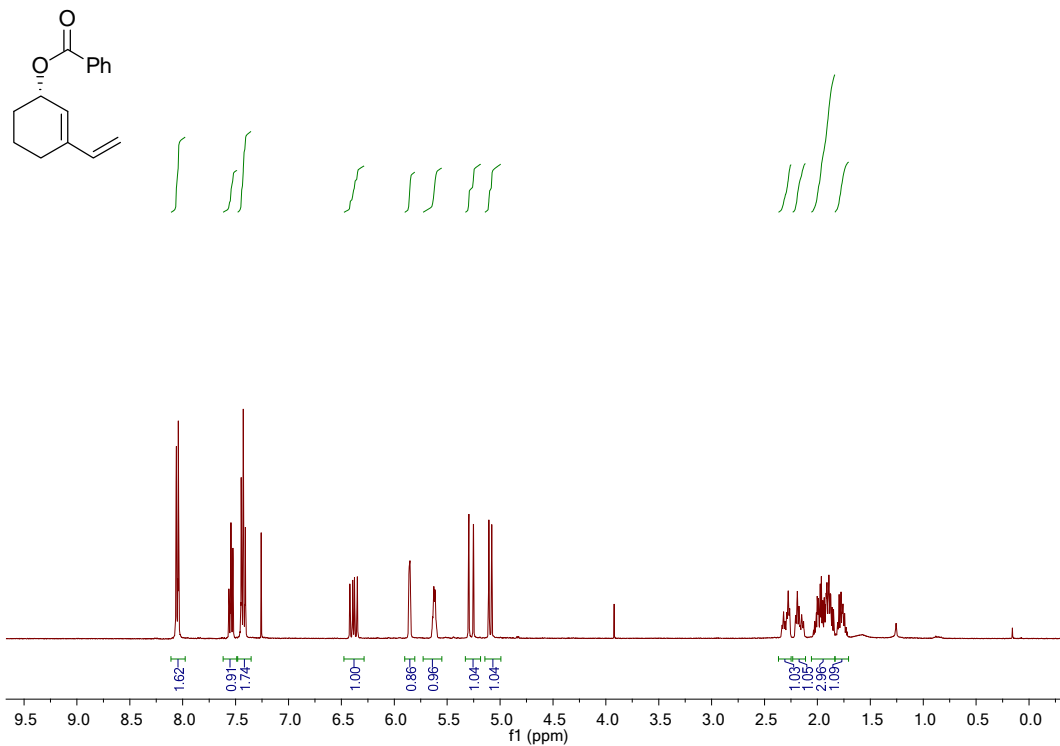


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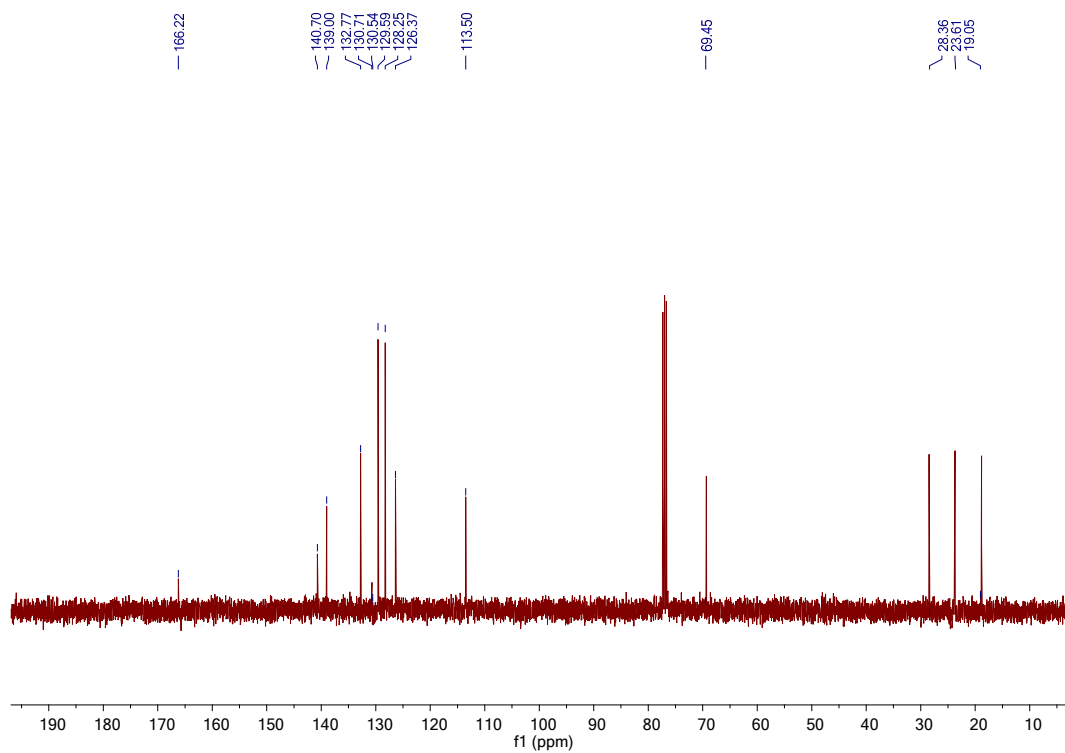


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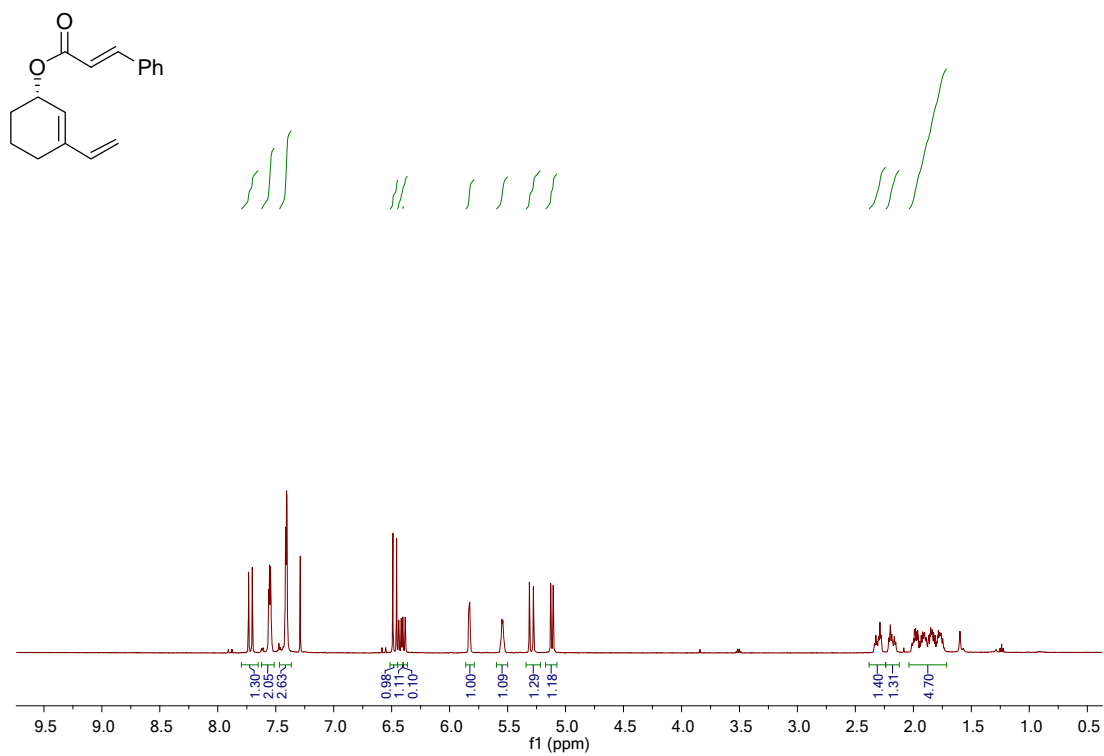


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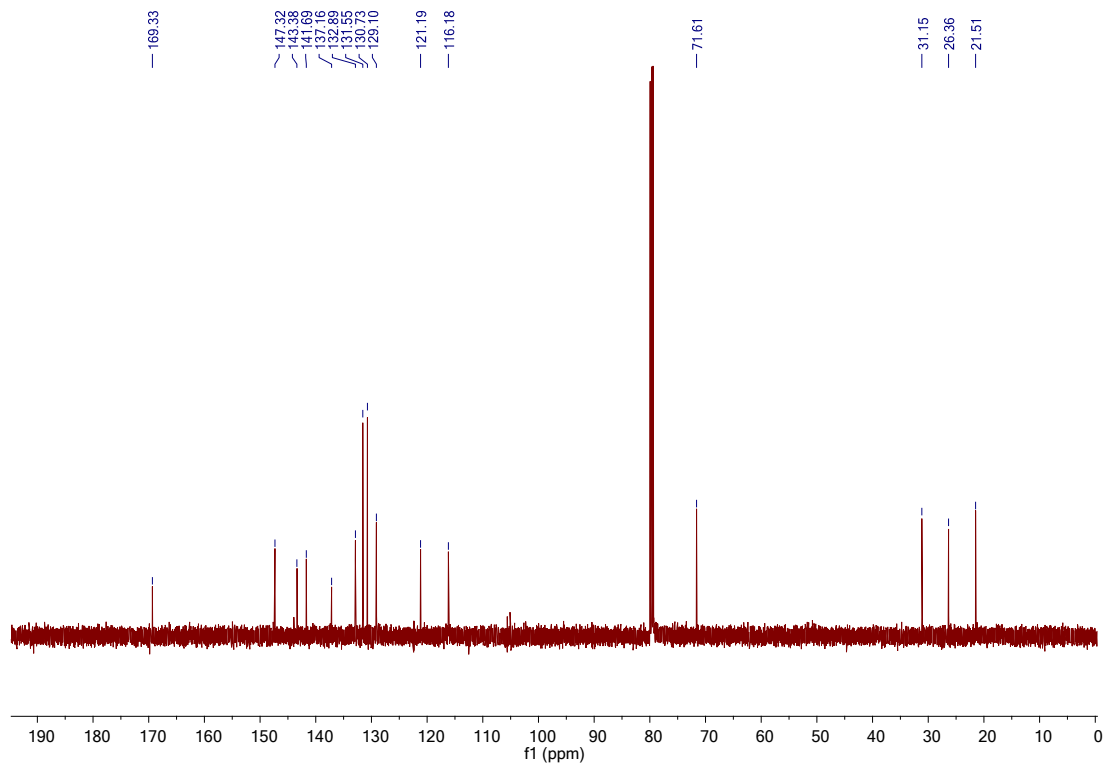


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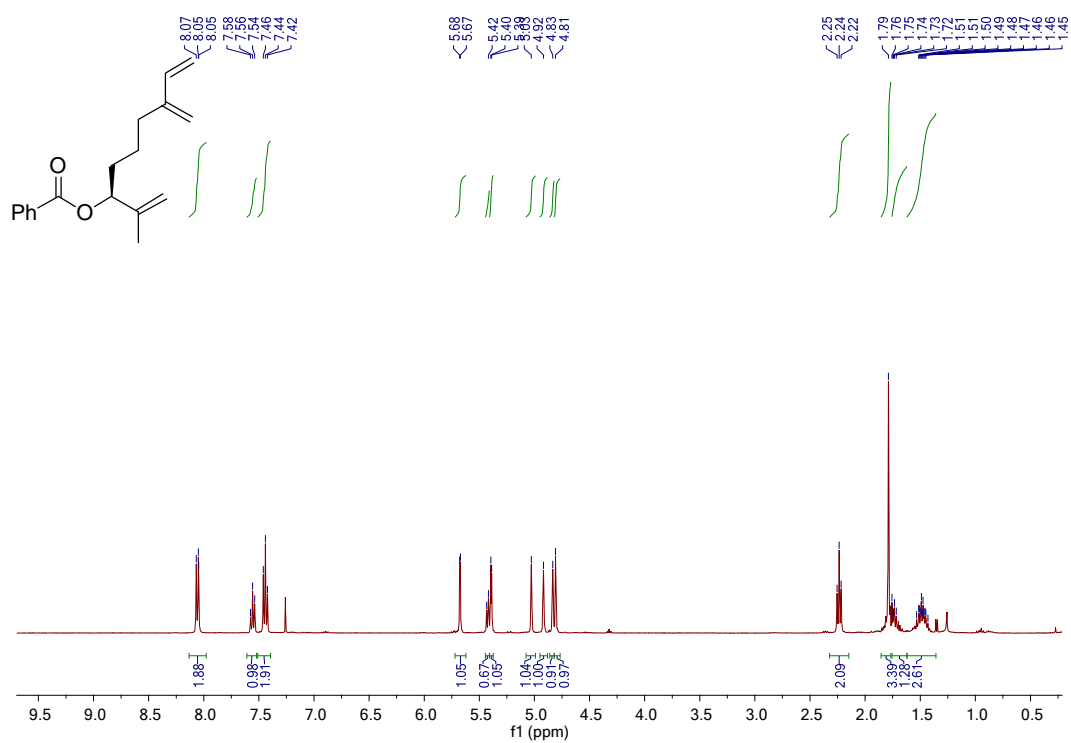


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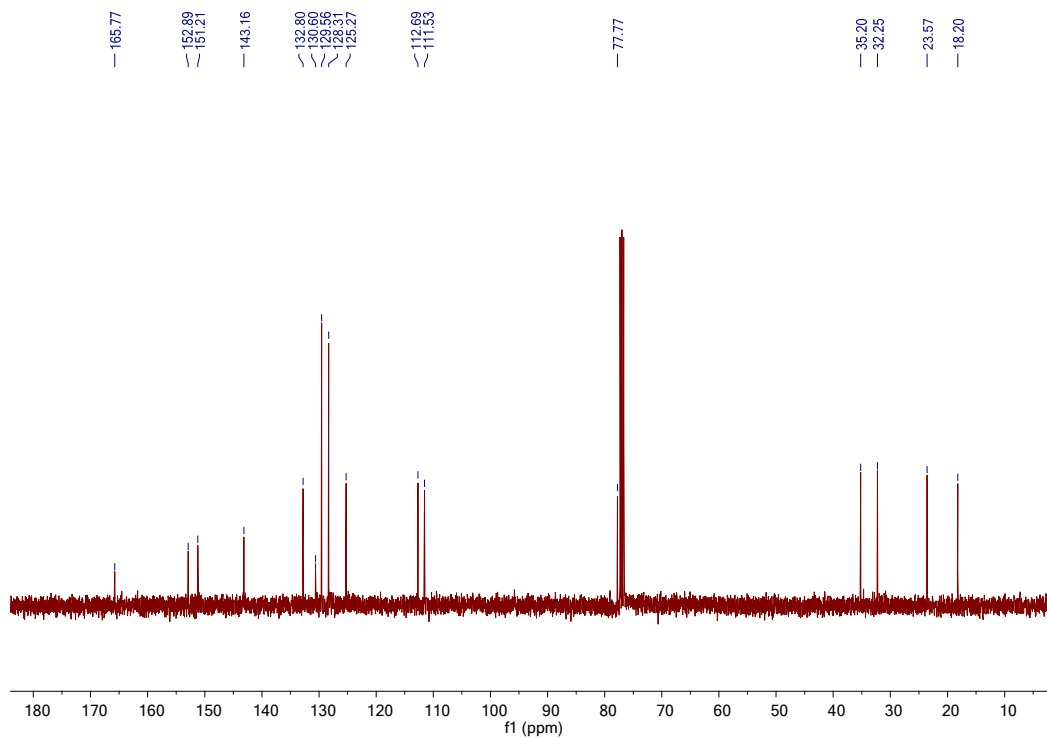


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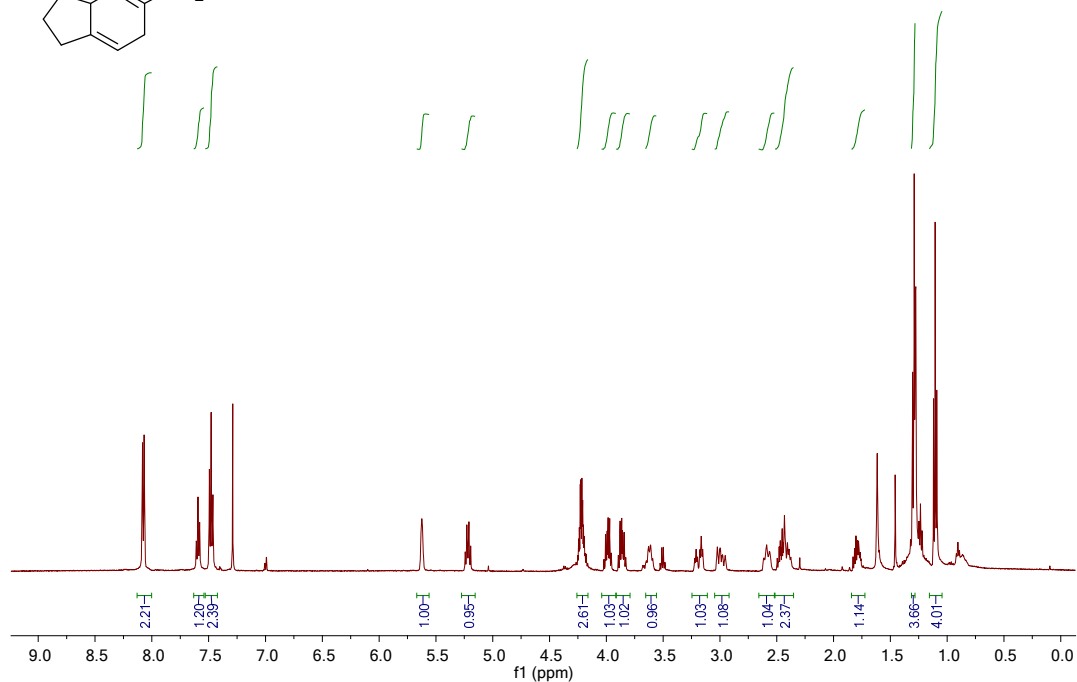
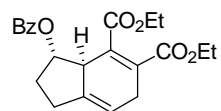


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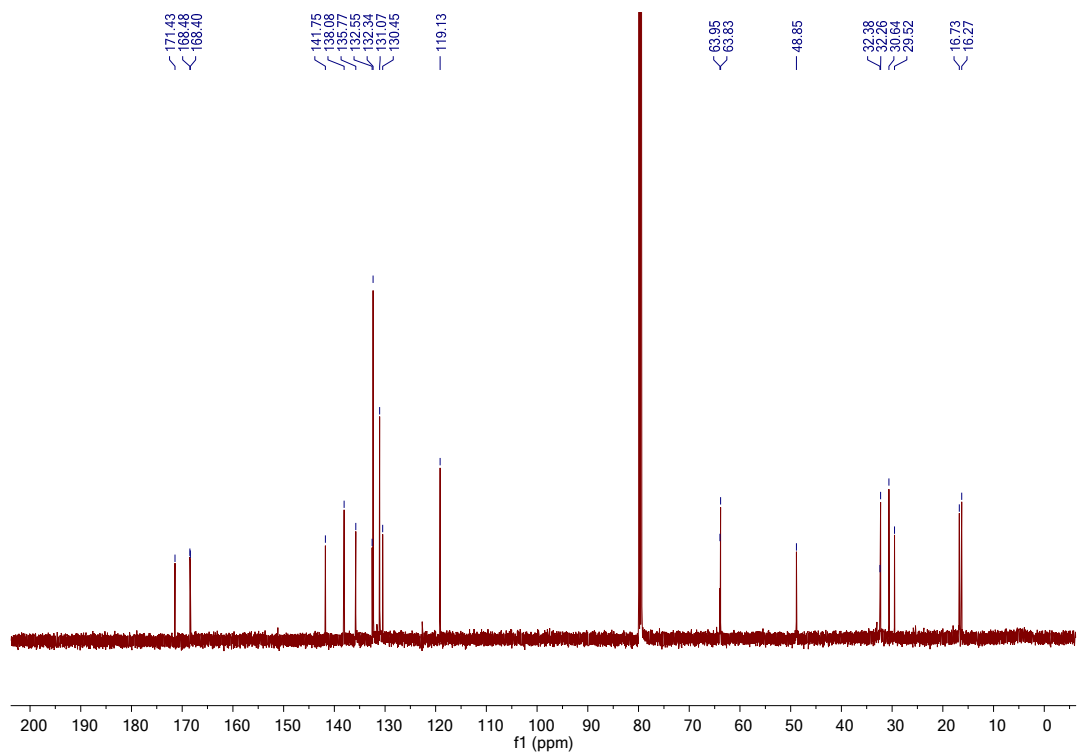


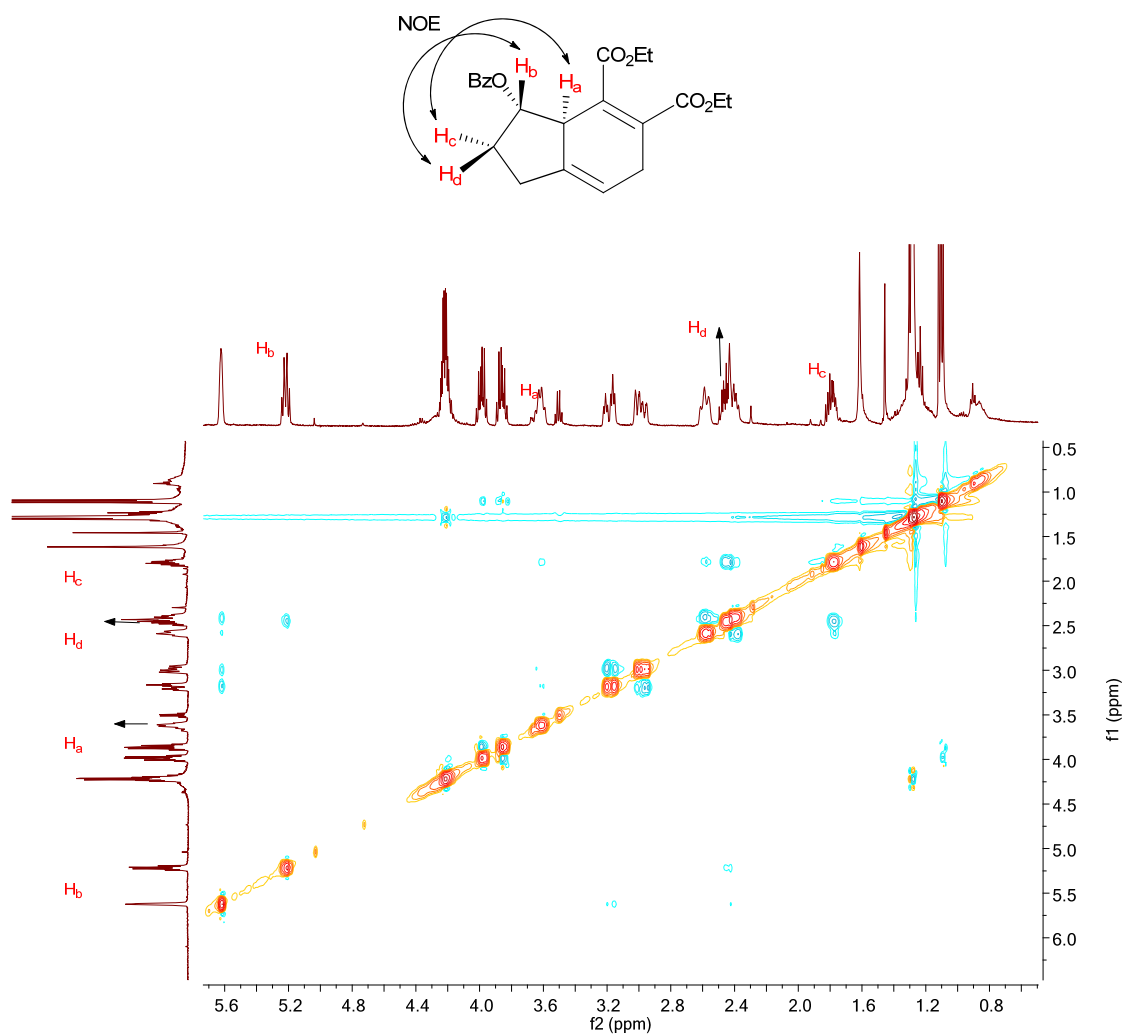
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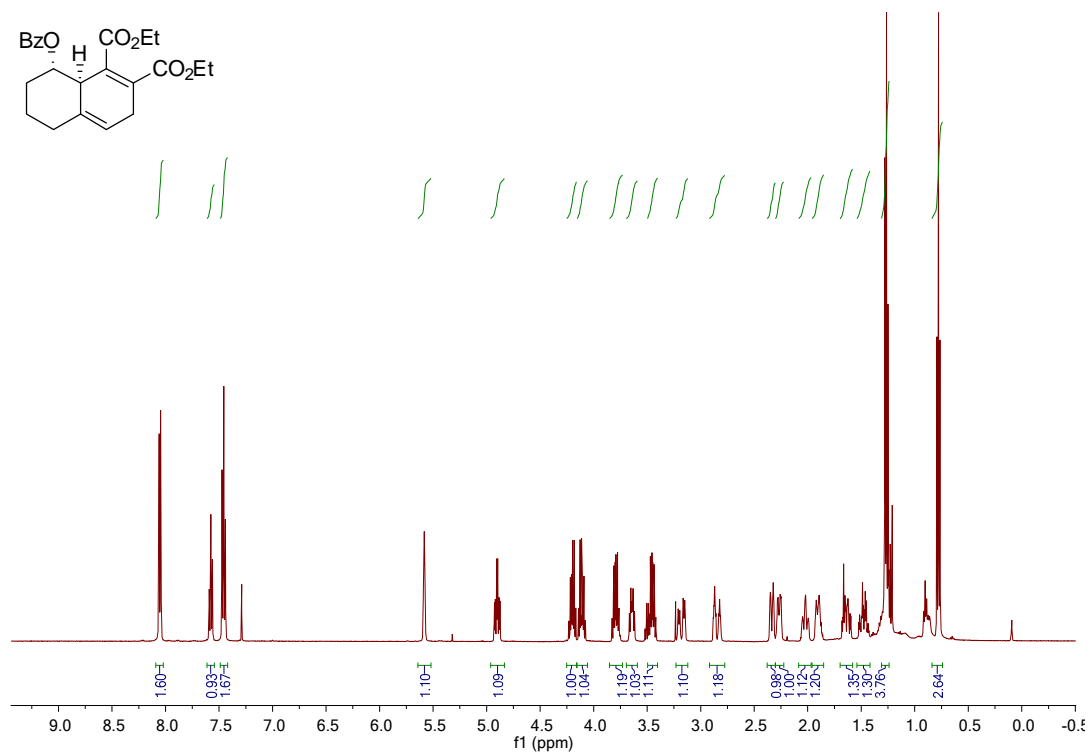
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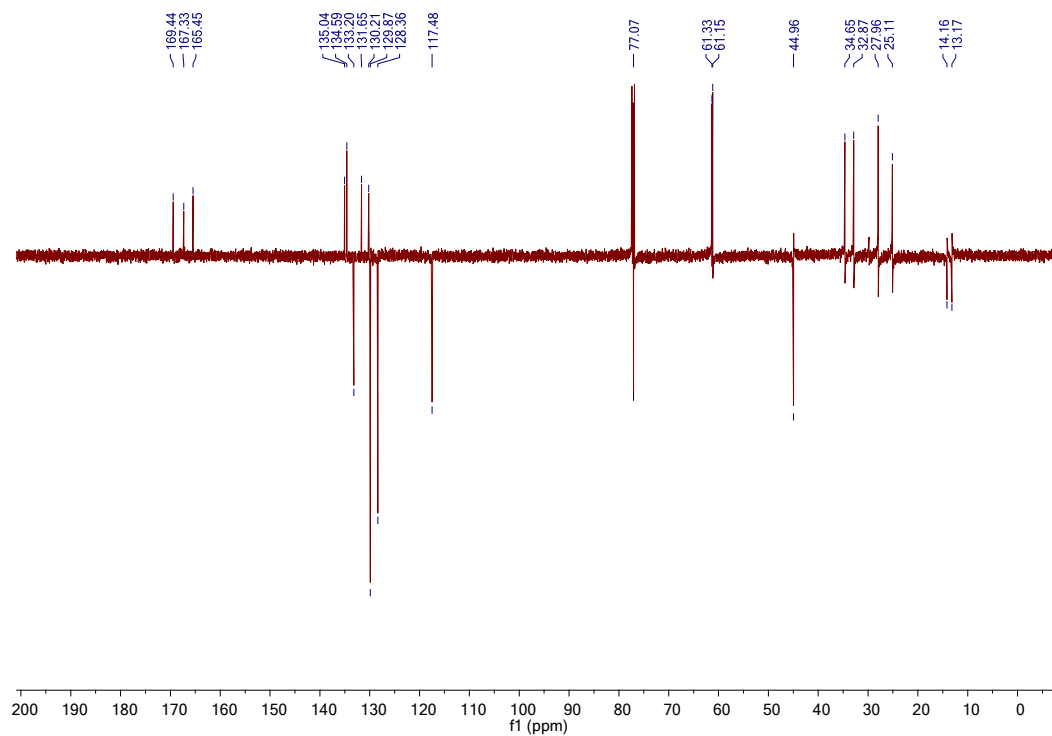


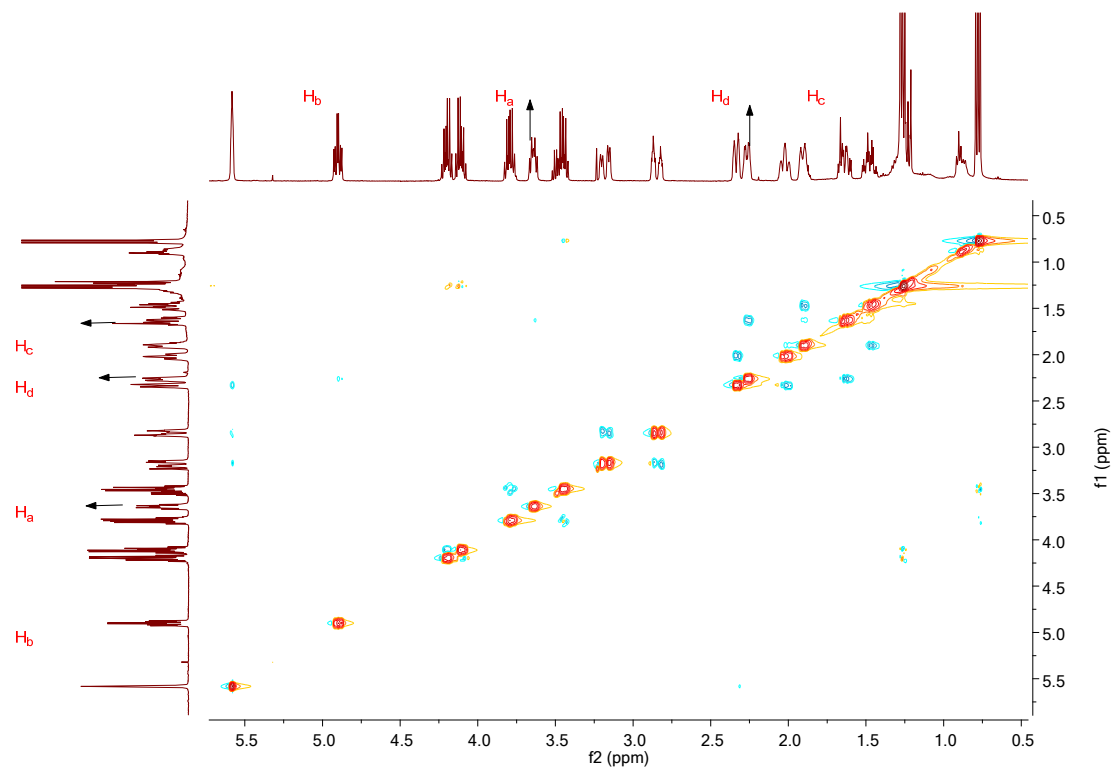
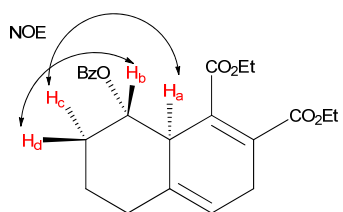
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-1,2-dicarboxylate (9b)**

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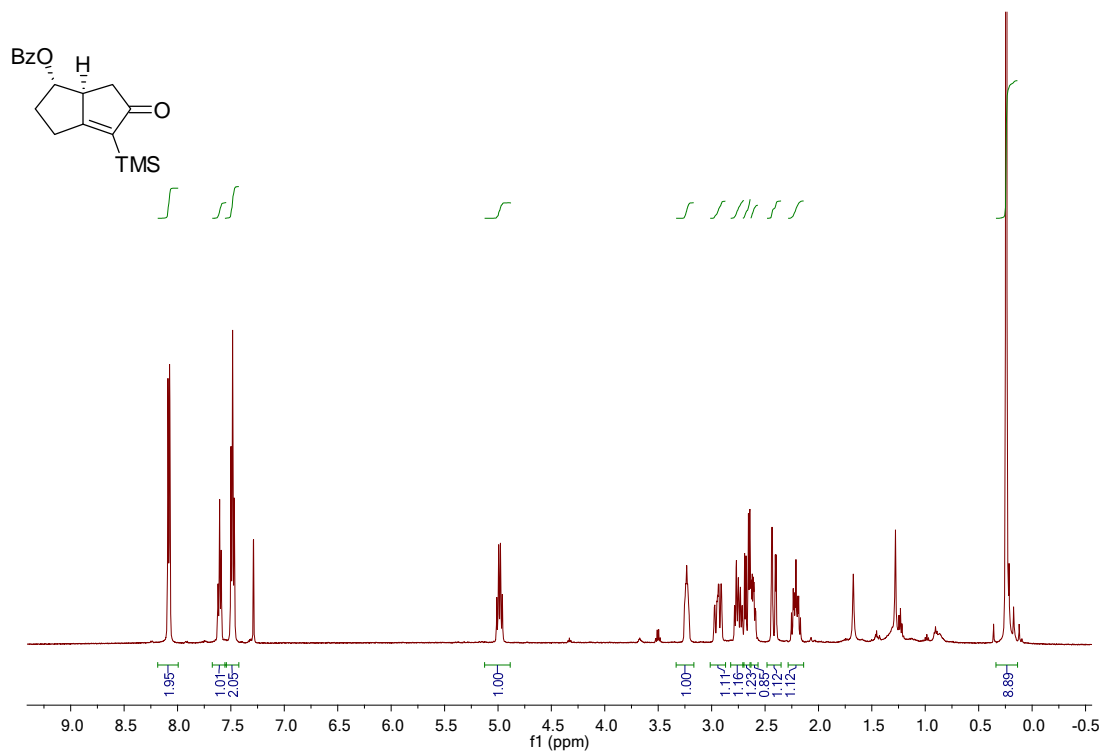
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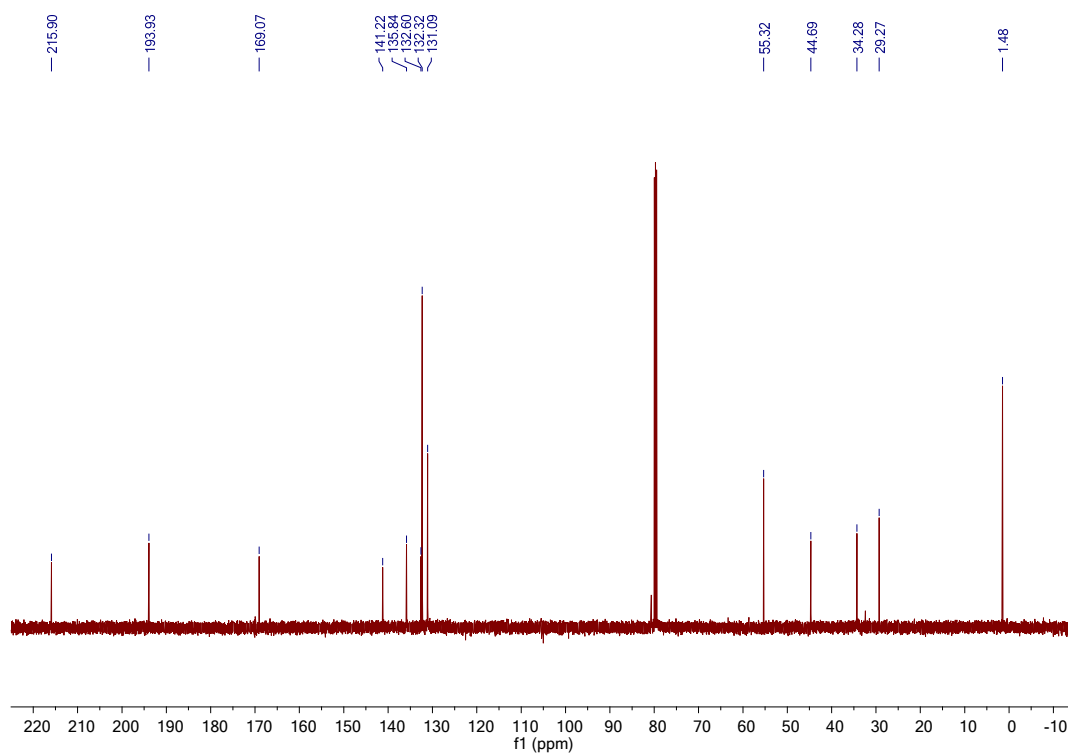


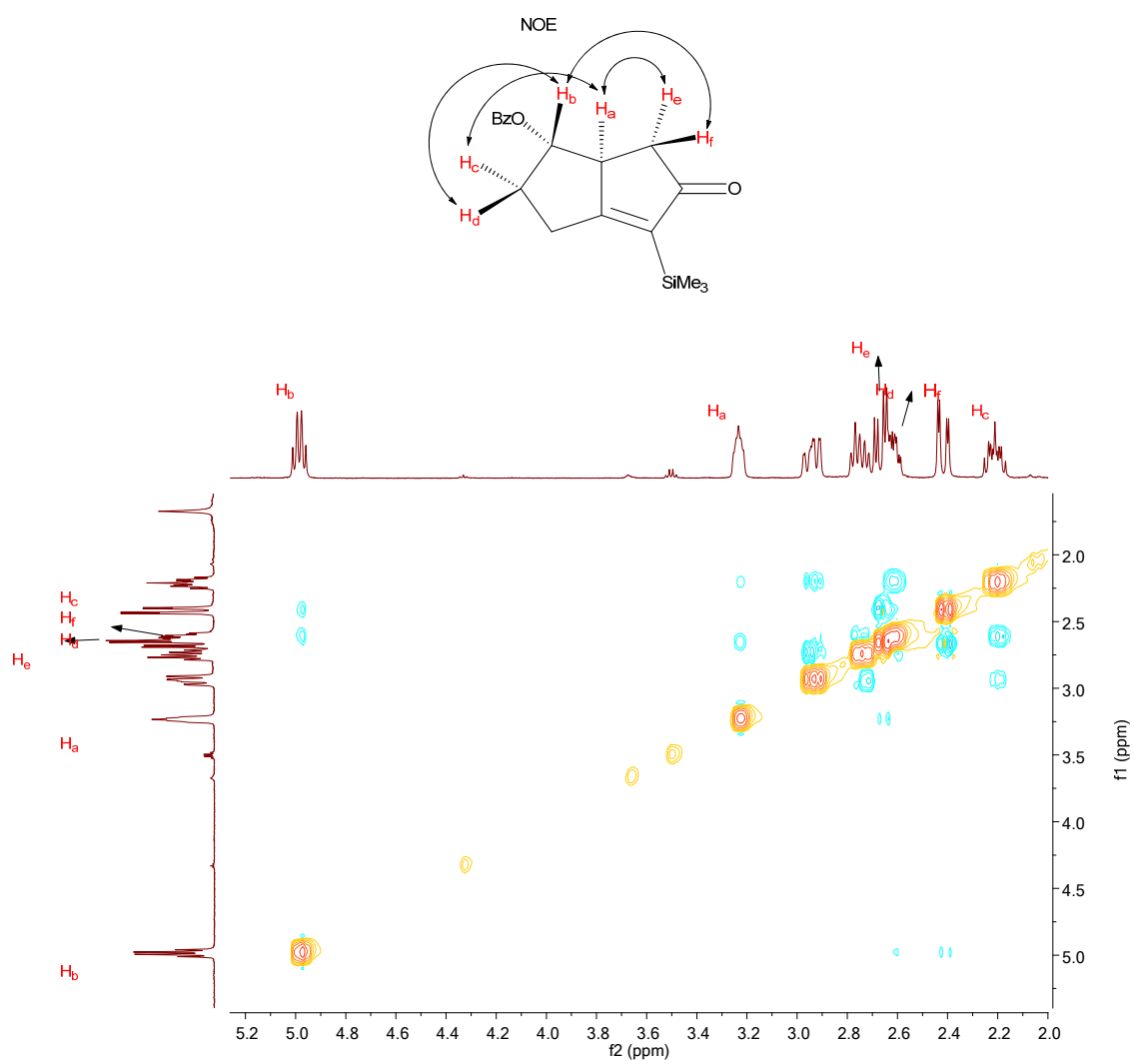
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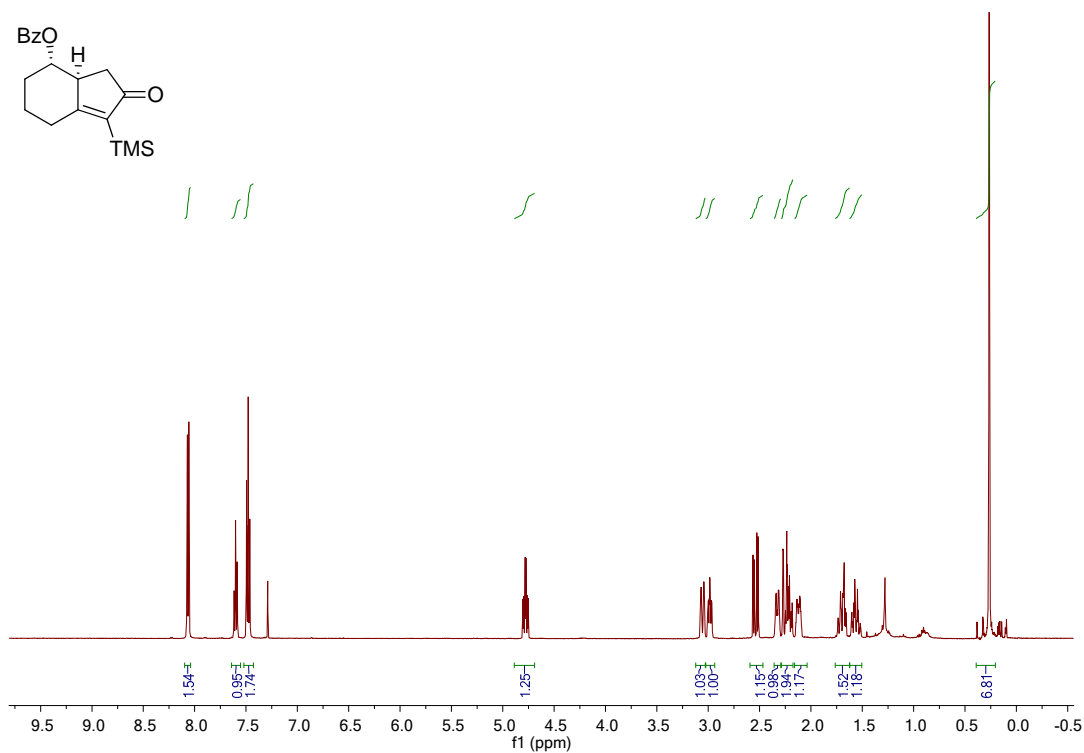
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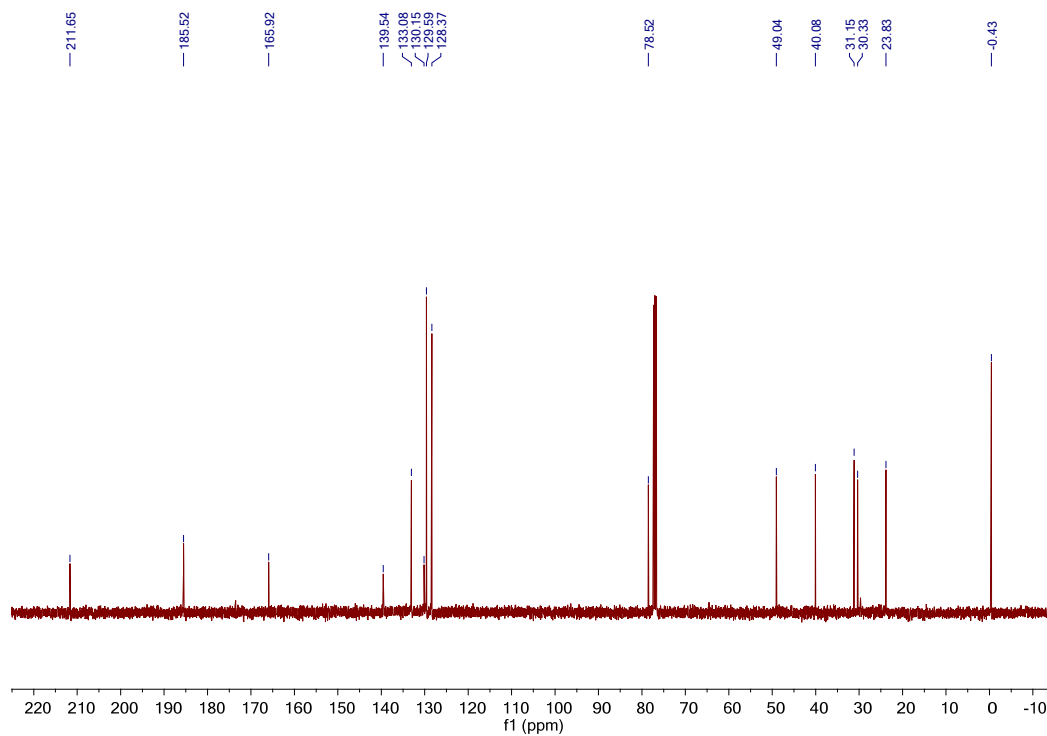


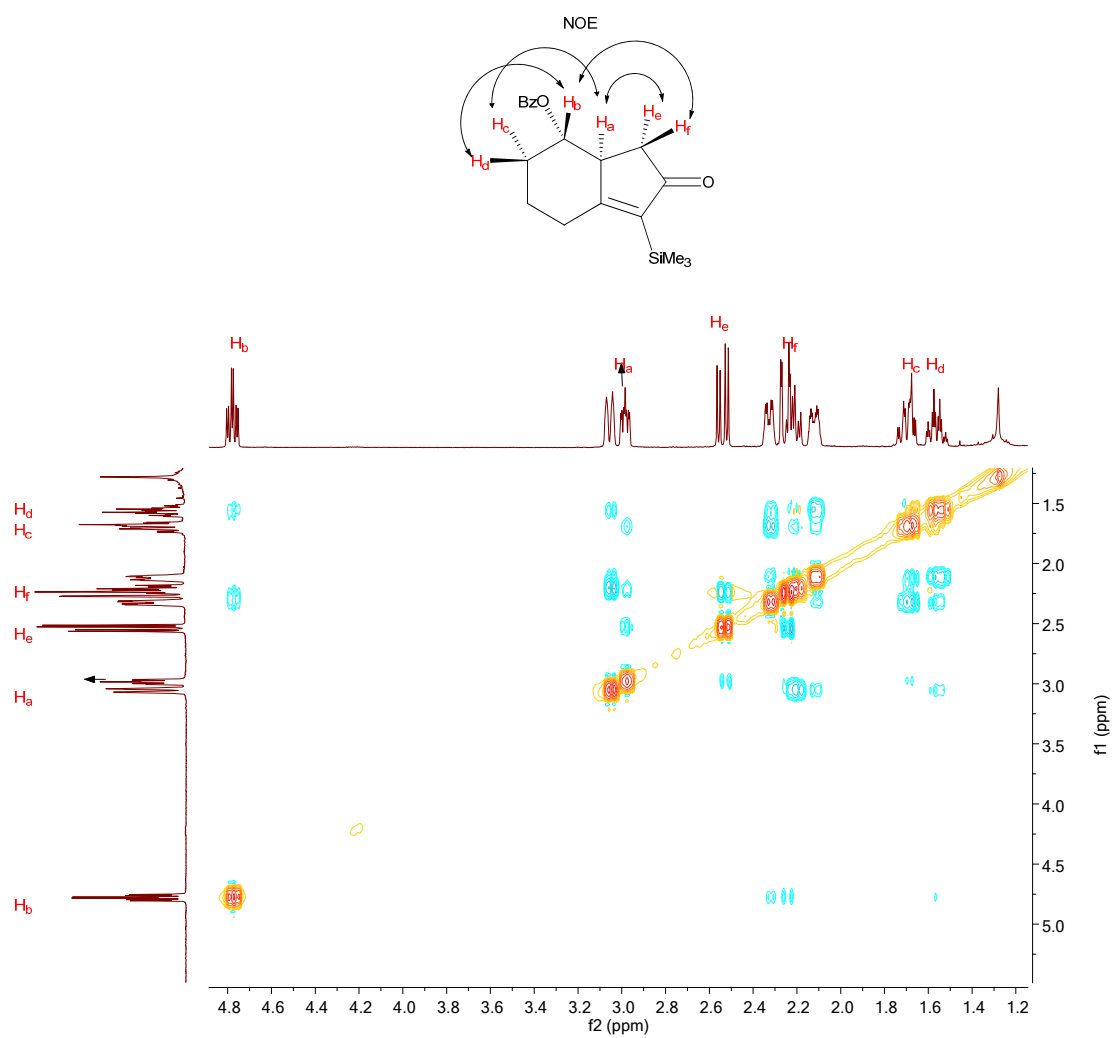
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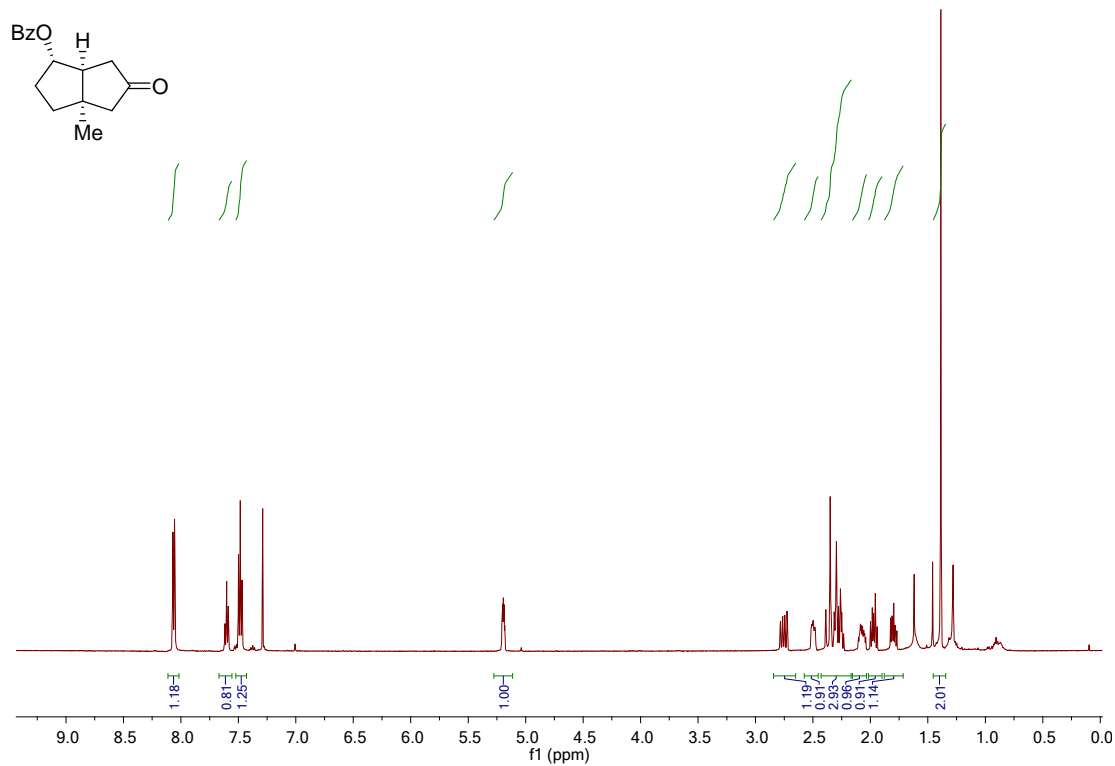
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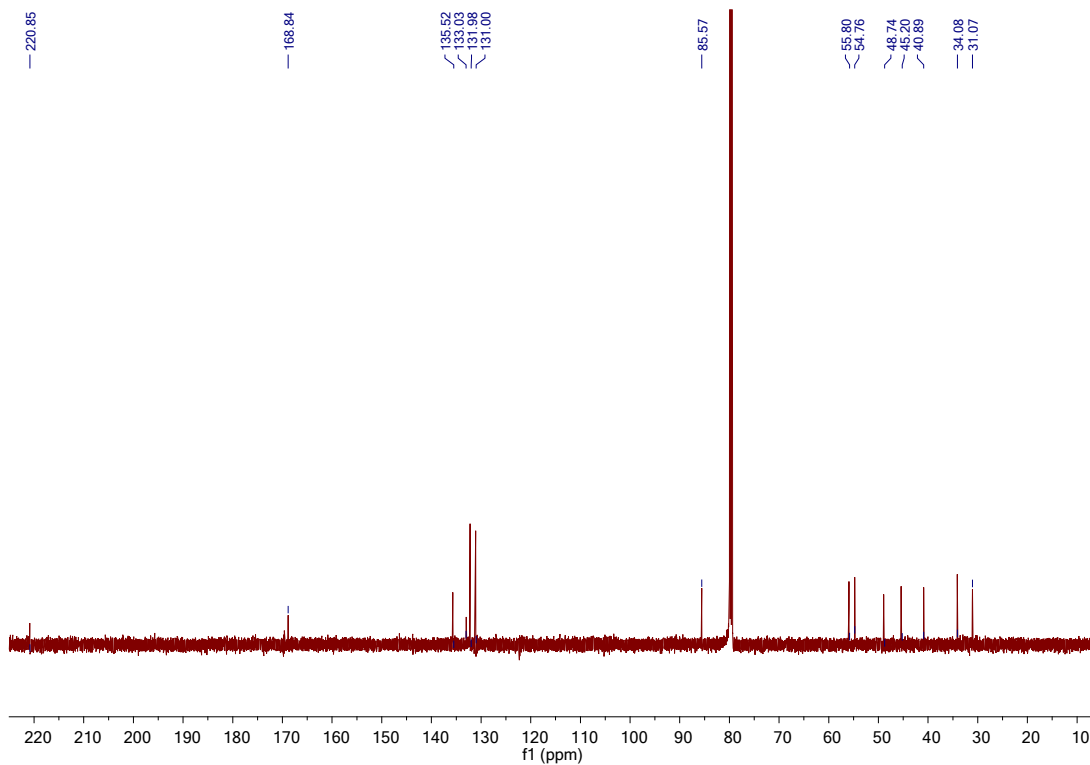


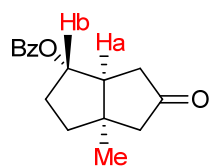
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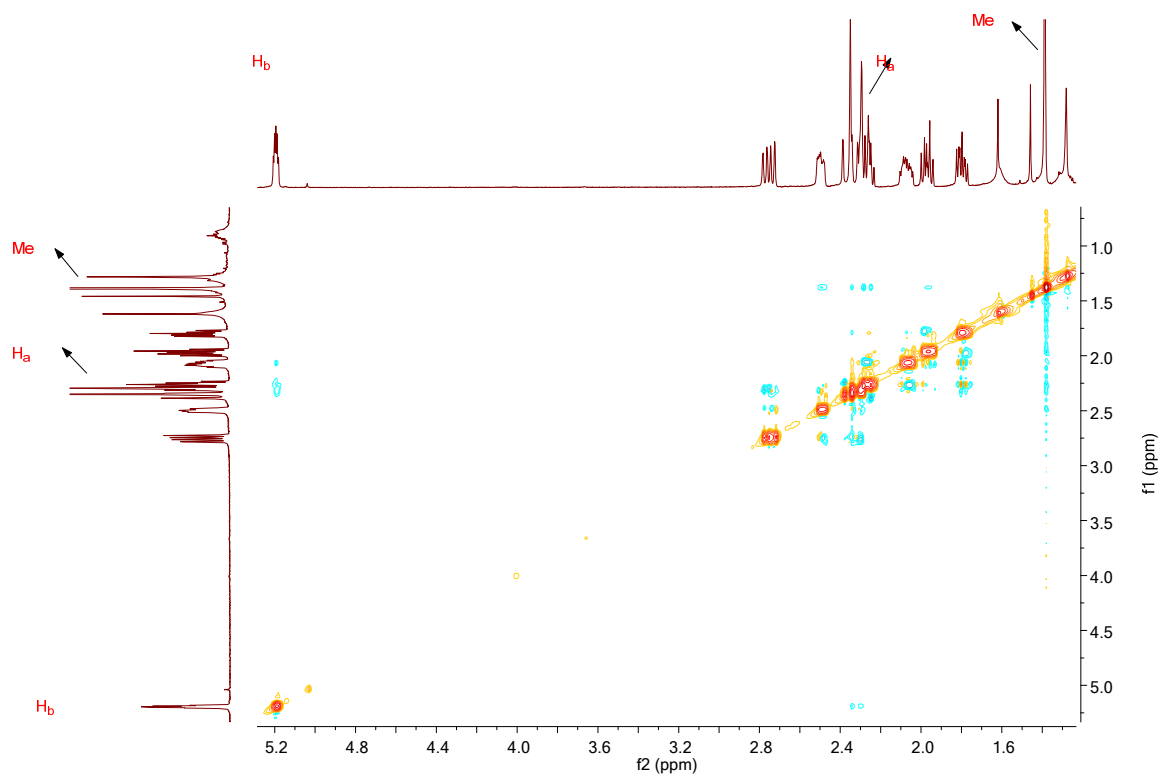


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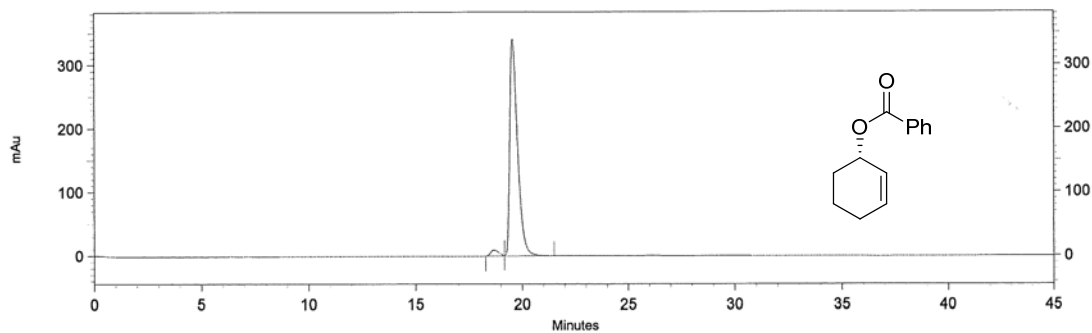
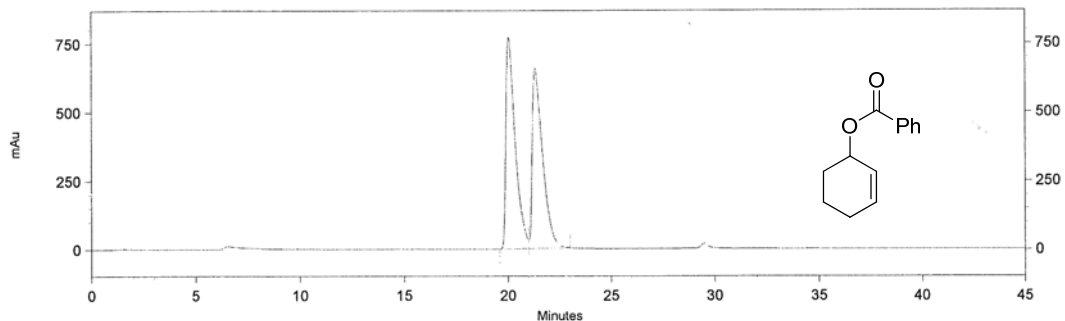


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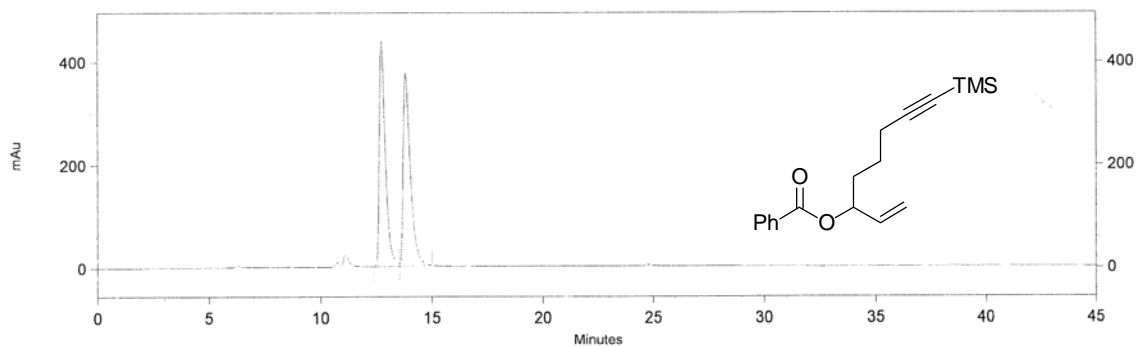


5. Representative HPLC Data

Compound 4b



Compound 6b

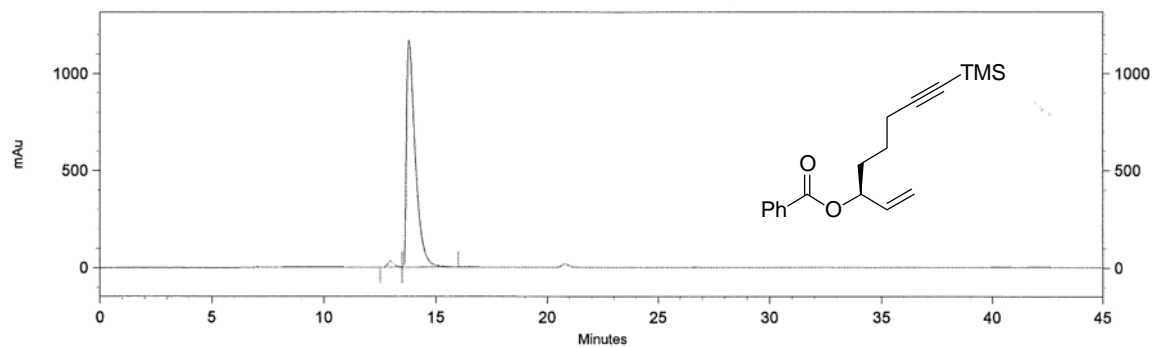


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2 nm Results

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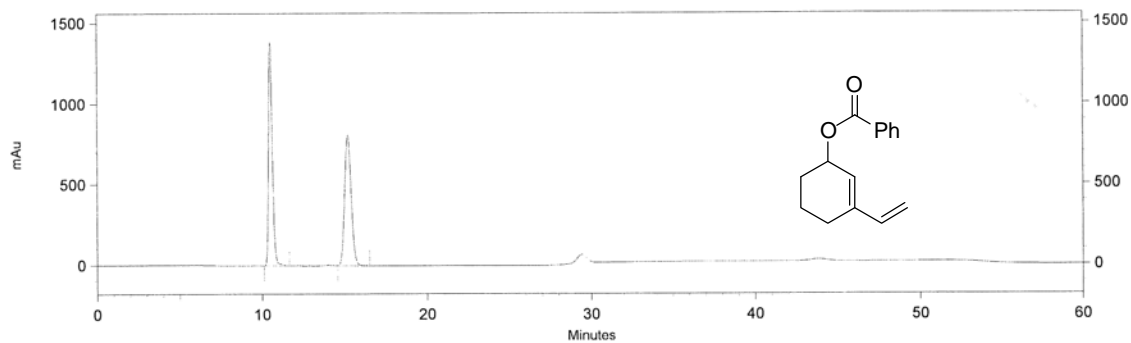
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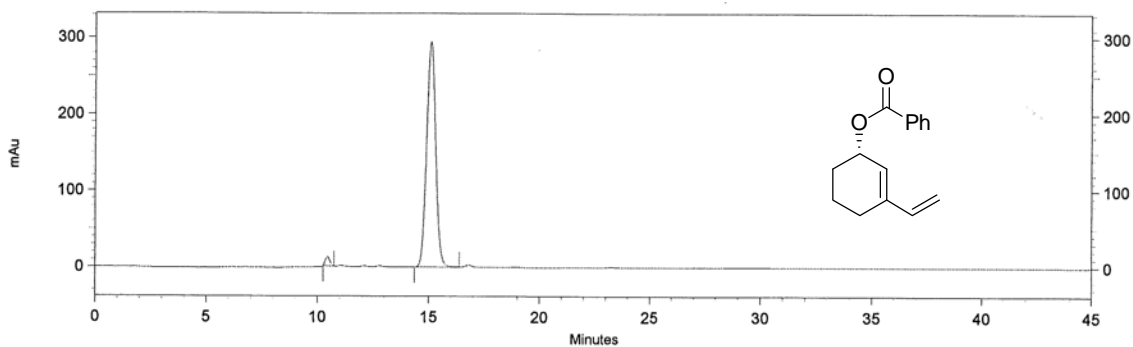
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Compound 8b



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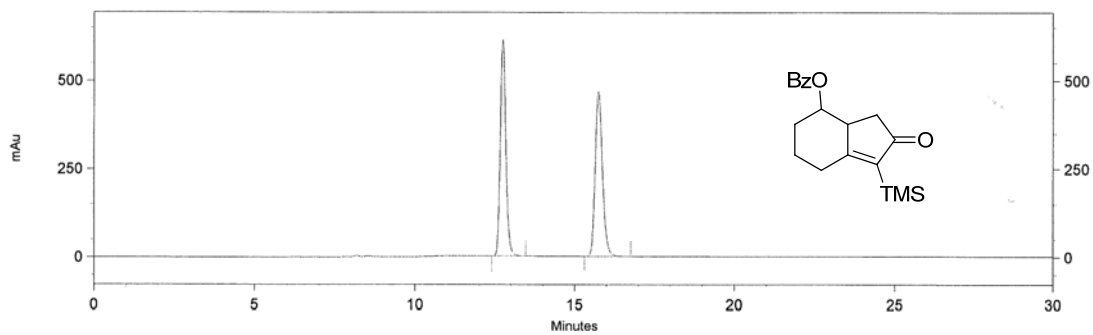
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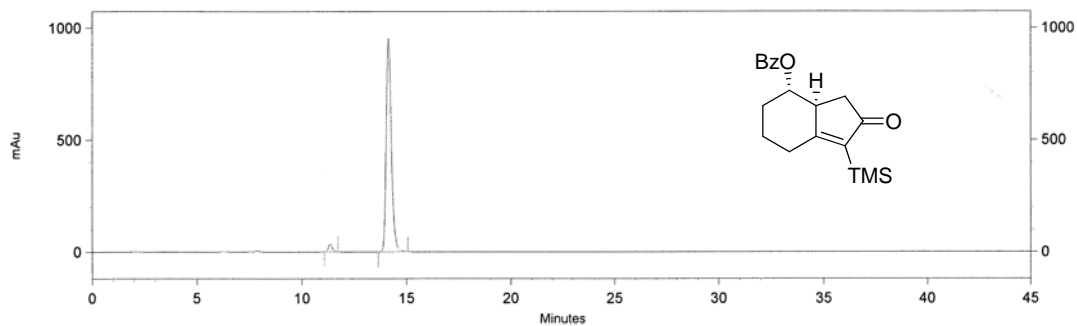
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Compound 10b



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Results

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